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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES: EACH—RUPEES 1.

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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	Feb. 1876.
THIBET	C. H. Eastley	3393	400	7th—Suez, &c.
NIZAM	A. E. Harlow	3725	450	14th—Southampton.
KASHGAR	E. J. Baker	3021	450	21st—Suez, &c.
PESHAWAR	C. A. White	3781	600	28th—Southampton, March.
MONGOLIA	A. Coleman	2833	530	6th—Suez, &c.
HYDASPES	D. Renoldson	2984	450	13th—Southampton.
TRAVANCORE	W. B. Andrews	1910	400	20th—Suez, &c.
PEKIN	W. Woolcott	3777	600	27th—Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

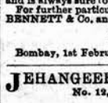
A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. precisely on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 14th January 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On TUESDAY, the 8th Feb. 1876, at 3 P.M., from MAZAGON,



THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S. TEHERAN, Captain A. H. JOHNSON, 2,589 Tons, and 400 H.P., will be despatched as above carrying H.M.'s Mails and taking also Passengers and Cargo for MADRAS and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the Officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on SATURDAY, the 5th February 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,

Bombay, 25th January 1876. Superintendent.

"WILSON" LANE.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO LEAVE ABOUT 12TH FEBRUARY.

THE Steam-ship RINALDO, 1,840 Tons.

The accommodation of this Steamer not being equal to that of the larger vessels of Messrs. Wilson's Fleet, the passage money to LIVERPOOL is reduced to ..... Rs. 400

(Exclusive of Wines and Spirits.)

For Passage and further particulars apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.
W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 12th January 1876.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN. LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE First-class Steamer CA-LIPSO, of 4,000 Tons, 200 H. P., will be despatched for Trieste on or about the 10th February 1876.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

	Cabin.	Deck.
To Trieste	£40 0	£18 0
To Port Said	£30 0	£13 2
To Suez	£28 0	£12 5

Children under 3 years of age, FREE: above 3 and under 10 years, HALF FARE.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to THE AGENCY OF THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

28, Bombay Green, 12th January 1876.

AUCTION.

[redacted] AND COMPANY, [redacted], FORBES STREET.

[redacted] OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN [redacted] OR BREACH CANDY ROAD.

Messrs. BENNETT and COMPANY are instructed by the Mortgagee to submit to PUBLIC AUCTION on FRIDAY, the 4th inst. at 4 P.M., on the premises on account and at the risk of Sorabjee Muncherjee Gormatta, the mortgagor. All that piece of LAND, with the Dwelling House standing thereon, forming the southern division of building of two divisions built with chunam and stone walls and covered with tiles, situate and being at No. 50, in Girgaum Road (called also Breach Candy Road and Pallow Road), in the Bhooleshwar Sub-District, containing about ONE HUNDRED and THIRTY and EIGHT-NINTHS of square yards, and bounded on the East by the said Girgaum Road, on the West by property formerly belonging to Sucraram Weljee, Keesow Madowsett and Trimbuck Wiswanathjee, and now belonging to their representatives, on the North by the northern division of the said house, being No. 51, in the said Girgaum Road, and belonging to Sorabjee Rustomjee and Khoorsedbaee, his wife, and on the South by a Sweeper's passage, and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 50, and are registered in the book of the Collector of Pension and TAX under No. 137.

The property is well situated in a crowded business locality, and is always sure to command good tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. BENNETT & Co, and to

MACFARLANE & SKIPSEY,
Solicitors.

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,

No. 12, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF 8 CRATES OF CROCKERYWARE, CUTLERY, AND OTHER SUNDRIES.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, the 2nd instant at 1 P.M. Messrs JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE & Company will sell by Public Auction at their Room the following:—

1 case superior cutlery by Atkinson Brothers, the same consisting of table knives and forks of different sorts, pocket knives from 1 to 4 blades, &c.

1 case containing about 50 dozen note-books.

Few dozen superior perfumes in round bottles.

Hand sewing machines, hanging chandeliers and lamps, stamp press, white handkerchiefs, kerosine oil table lamps, wall lamps, harp bracket lamps, spare globes, nicely gilted albums, blacking, toy figures, copying books, &c.

Few hhds of wine.

Also a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, such as grey shirtings, madapollams, dhooties, jeoconets, &c.

On account and at the risk of the concerned per ship "Rajpoot"—

A H R M P W—106,13—8 crates of earthenware, consisting of cups and saucers of different sorts, water jugs, &c.

10 cases of corn flour.

On account and at the risk of the first indentors, Messrs. Nasirally Ismailjee & Co.—

An invoice of fancy stationery, consisting of the Prince of Wales' portraits on gold lined cards, cards printed with the inscription Welcome to the Prince, India and England, thanksgiving cards, beautiful note papers and envelopes with gold gilt border with a lot of beautiful painted pictures, and 2 beautiful cabinets.

JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE & Co

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co., MILITARY SQUARE.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND GLASSWARE, &c.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, the 2nd instant, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co. will sell by Public Auction at 2 o'clock P.M., at their Auction Room, Military Square No. 1, an assortment of furniture belonging to a gentleman changing his residence, consisting of glassware, porcelainware, plated spoons and forks, table cutlery, cruet frames, &c., dining room table, chairs, marble top pier and round table, sofa couches, card and chess table, camp cot, beds and pillows, easy chairs, benches, carpet, pictures, table, argand and globe lamps, cookroom table and cooking utensils, &c.

A deposit of 25 per cent will be required at the time of sale.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

On THURSDAY next, the 3rd instant, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their Usual Weekly Auction Sale at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, twists, &c., &c.

5 cases Turkey red scarfs.
2 cases coloured muslins.
1 bale mule twist, No. 80.
2 bales grey shirtings.

TO BE LET AT BANDORA HILL.

A partly furnished Bungalow from the 1st March.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

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ESTABLISHED 1710.

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CLAIMS arranged by the local Agents, and paid with promptitude and liberality.

PEEL, CASSELS & Co., Agents.

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	Exclusive of Reserve Fund
THE LONDON AND LANCASHIRE FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	Rs. 10,000,000
THE TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE Co., (and re-insurances.) CAPITAL	,, 9,000,000
THE BATAVIA FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 3,000,000
THE SAMARANG FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 2,000,000

MARINE INSURANCE.

THE SWISS LLOYD MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	Rs. 2,000,000
THE REINISH WESTPHALIAN LLOYD MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 3,000,000
THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 4,500,000
THE SAMARANG MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 2,000,000
THE BATAVIA MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 3,000,000
THE NEUCHATELOISE MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	,, 2,000,000

For FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE in the above Companies apply to the UNDERSIGNED, who can offer ALL FACILITIES and MOST FAVOURABLE TERMS. ALL CLAIMS PROMPTLY SETTLED IN BOMBAY. Rates and other particulars can be obtained on application.

VOLKART BROTHERS, Agents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF THE VICEROY

MISS ALICE MAY'S

ENGLISH OPERA AND OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY,

TO-NIGHT, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST.

Offenbach's world-renowned Opera Bouffe,

THE GRAND DUCHESS.

THE GRAND DUCHESS,
MISS ALICE MAY.

STAGE MANAGER,
MR. HOWARD VERNON.

DRAMATIC PERSONÆ.

General Boum	Mr. T. H. Rainford.
Fritz	Mr. H. Hallowes.
Prince Paul	Miss Marie Burton.
Baron Puck	Mr. H. Vernon.
Baron Gray	Mr. Hobbs.
Nepomuc	Miss Christie.
Wanda	Miss Florence Home.
Olga, Maids of Honor	Miss Wheeler.
Charlotte ..., Maids of Honor	Miss Emily Thompson.
The Grand Duchess	Miss Alice May.

PIANOFORTE AND CONDUCTOR—MR. G. B. ALLEN, Mus. Bas., OXON.

TO-MORROW WEDNESDAY,

(NOT ON THURSDAY, AS ADVERTISED,)

BELLINI'S EXQUISITE OPERA,

LA SONAMBULA.

(THE SLEEP-WALKERS.)

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Reserved Seats	Rs. 4
Family Tickets to admit three	,, 10
Unreserved Seats	,, 2
Gallery	,, 1

Doors open at 8-30, Opera at 9.

May be engaged at SOUNDY & Co.'s, where a plan of the Hall may be seen.

BANDORA HILL.

A COMFORTABLE BUNGALOW, admirably situated on Bandora Hill, formerly in the occupation of Messrs. HAWKINS and BENTLEY. It is partly furnished, and could be had even for a short time of March Hot Season. Rent moderate.

Apply to P. BYRAMJEE,
28, Meadow Street. House Agent.

HOLKAR STATE RAILWAY.

ALTERATION IN PUBLIC TIME TABLE to come into force from 10th February 1876.

UP TRAIN.

	Mixed Train.	Mail Train.
	A.M.	P.M.
Choral Chokie Departure	6-32	3-0
Khandwa Arrival	11-30	7-45

DOWN TRAIN.

	Mail Train.	Mixed Train.
	A.M.	P.M.
Khandwa Departure	10-15	1-30
	P.M.	
Choral Chokie Arrival	2-40	7-2

STANLEY ALEXANDER,
Manager (Open Line) H. S. Railway.

Khandwa, 29th January 1876.

TO BE LET, BUNGALOWS at Matheran for the ensuing Season. For plans of the Bungalows and other particulars, apply to

E. W. FLOWER,
4, Hummum Street. House Agent.

TO BE LET, a fully FURNISHED BUNGALOW in the Marine Lines, for three months from 15th March. Rent Rs. 150 per month. Apply to

E. W. FLOWER,
4, Hummum Street. House Agent.

TO BE LET, the BUNGALOW at Malabar Hill, lately in the occupation of MALCOLM MCPHERSON, Esq. For rent and other particulars apply to

E. W. FLOWER,
4, Hummum Street. House Agent.

TO BE LET, an Upper storied FURNISHED BUNGALOW at Malabar Hill, from 14th March to the 1st June. Rent moderate. Apply to

E. W. FLOWER,
4, Hummum Street. House Agent.

TO BE LET, the first and second Storeys of the HOUSE, No. 31, Cowasjee Patel Street, for Parsee families. Rent moderate. Apply to

E. W. FLOWER,
4, Hummum Street. House Agent.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—I hereby give notice that I have from this day ceased to be a Partner in the FIRM of KERNS and KENNEDY, carrying on business at No. 32, Apollo Street, Fort, as Plumbers, &c., &c., and that I shall not be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted on account of the said Firm after this date.

JAMES KENNEDY.

Bombay, 31st January 1876.

NOTICE.

CHEDA LALL,
SADDLER AND HARNESS MAKER,
BOTH BY ENGLISH AND COUNTRY LEATHER AND OF SUPERIOR DESCRIPTION,
NEAR MEMORIAL GARDEN,
CAWNPORE.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Ship FLYING VENUS, CHARLES ROBERTSON, Master, from CALCUTTA, are requested to PAY FREIGHT and SEND BILLS of LADING to the Undersigned for countersignature, as also to SEND OFF BOATS for their GOODS as they come to hand.

In cases when Boats are not sent, the Goods will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents for Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 31st January 1876.

WE, the Undersigned, who have been connected with the LONDON, ASIATIC and AMERICAN COMPANY (LIMITED) from its formation, beg to intimate that we have completed arrangements for carrying on the business hitherto conducted by the Company with Bombay, and have entered into a Partnership under the style of

BEVIS, RUSSELL & Co., London & Liverpool.
BENN, ASHLEY & Co., Bombay.

JAMES BEVIS.
CHARLES EDWARD BENN.
ATHERTON EDWARD ASHLEY.
JOHN GREY RUSSELL.

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

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COMMISSION AGENT AND GENERAL MERCHANT, BOMBAY.

LOCAL AND MOFUSSIL ORDERS FOR EVERY DESCRIPTION OF GOODS EXECUTED PROMPTLY AND WITH CARE.

CHEROOTS, CIGARS AND TOBACCO

PARCELS CARRYING AGENCY

CORNER OF MEADOW AND FORBES STREET, FORT.

NEW SYSTEM OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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4, HORNBY ROW.

This Company makes no charge for medical examination. The charge that used to be made for Assurances under Rs. 5,000 has been abolished. The Company now pays the fee ON ALL ASSURANCES, so that intending Assurers have only to pay the premium.

THE NEW SYSTEM OF RESERVING AND INVESTING FOR POLICY-HOLDERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES THE ENTIRE NETT PREMIUMS.

THE ONLY EQUITABLE SYSTEM OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

QUARTERLY PREMIUMS FOR A LIMITED TERM OF 30 YEARS.

An European between the ages of 20 and 45, by setting aside small sums ranging from Rs. 2-1-10 to Rs. 3-10 8 monthly, will be able to pay a quarterly premium sufficient to secure for his family at his death ONE THOUSAND RUPEES.

Should the assured live to pay up all his Premiums (120), he will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has no more to pay, and that this ONE THOUSAND RUPEES is secured to his heirs, executors, or assigns, free from all costs and of any deduction whatever.

The Policies of this Company cover the risk of travelling anywhere, by any mode of conveyance, and of residence in any part of the world.

TRUSTEES OF BOMBAY LIFE FUND
OFFICIAL TRUSTEE OF BOMBAY
FOR THE TIME BEING.
BANKERS:
AGRA BANK (LIMITED).
SOLICITORS:
MESSRS. HEARN, CLEVELAND, AND LEE-WARNER.
MEDICAL REFEREE:
SIDNEY SMITH, ESQ., M.D.

PROSPECTUSES, AND ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE COMPANY, MAY BE HAD ON APPLICATION TO

J. SCOTT,
Agent for Bombay, 4, Hornby Row.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

THE Company's Supplies of these Goods are from the best Manufacturers only, and may be thoroughly relied upon for strength and wear In elegance, novelty of design, and variety of selection the Stock is unequalled by any in the Presidency.

TEA & COFFEE SERVICES,
comprising
Coffee Pot, Tea Pot, Covered Cream Jug and Sugar Basin.

Bachelor's Miniature Sets,
Rs. 90, 100, 112, 135, 140, 150, 170, 190, and 200.

Family Services,
Rs. 100, 150, 180, 200 240, 260, 280, and 300.

BUTTER DISHES,
Handsomely cut in clear or coloured Glass, with plain, richly chased or engraved mounts.
Rs. 12-8, 15, 18, 20, 22-8, 25, 30, 36, 40, 45 and 50.

BISCUIT CADDIES,
of richly chased or engraved plate, or glass mounted with plate, at
Rs. 25, 28, 30, 33, 36, 40, 45, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90.

MARMALADE OR JAM JARS,
of handsomely chased or engraved plate, or of cut glass and wedgewood ware mounted in plate,
Rs. 15, 20, 30.

SARDINE BOXES,
of chased or engraved plate, or of richly cut clear glass mounted in plate.
Rs. 15, 20, 30, 35 and 45.

CRUET FRAMES,
with best cut glass cruets complete,
Rs. 25, 30, 35, 40, 50 and 70.

Breakfast Cruets,
In a variety of pretty shapes,—Cock, Elephant, &c.
Rs. 20, 25, 30 and 35.

MUFFINEERS,
Glass mounted in plate—barrel of shapes, &c., per pair
Rs. 5, 7 and 10.
Owl, Dog, &c., Muffineers, sets of three, in cases,
Rs. 25, 30, 40 and 50.

PICKLE FRAMES,
Carrying two or three bottles,
Rs. 36, 40, 45, 50, 54, 60, 70 and 80.

TOAST RACKS,
in a variety of neat and handsome patterns,
Rs. 10, 20 and 30.

OVAL SIDE DISHES,
of the Beaded, Greek Key, Scroll and other Patterns, at per pair, forming at pleasure four dishes,
Rs. 80, 90, 100, 108, 110, 120, 125.

Oval Breakfast Dishes,
each, forming at pleasure one each open and covered dishes, with drainer,
Rs. 40, 45, 50, and 55.

Round Bacon Dishes,
with Drainer and Cover, each
Rs. 40 and 45.
Single pieces or complete sets of

Forks and Spoons,
and Table Requisites, of best quality; detailed lists on application.

SALT CELLARS AND SPOONS,
cases containing 4 or 6 each, in a variety of beautiful patterns, at
Rs. 36, 40, 45, 50, 54, 60, 65, 70, 80 and 90.

NAPKIN RINGS,
of open work, or richly chased or engraved,
Rs. 10, 20, 30 and 50.

DESSERT AND FLOWER STANDS,
in a variety of new and elegant designs,
Rs. 75, 100, 150, and 200.

DESSERT KNIVES AND FORKS,
Richly chased, engraved, or plain, in Ivory, Pearl or Plate handles; sets of 6 and 12, in handsome cases,
Rs. 60, 70, 80, 100 and 150

SALVERS AND WAITERS,
of 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 inches diameter, in a variety of handsome patterns, at each
Rs. 15, 18, 20, 22-8, 25, 28, 30, 36, 40, 45, 50, 60, 70, and 75

TABLE CANDLESTICKS
with Shades complete at, each pair,
Rs. 27, 30, 32, 36, 40, 45, 50, 54 and 60.

Chamber Candlesticks,
With Shades and Extinguishers, at, each pair,
Rs. 20, 22-8, 25, 28, 30 and 33.

AG-DANS AND ASH TRAYS,
In new and elegant Shapes,
Rs. 2, 5, 10 and 20.

INKSTANDS,
A selection of beautiful patterns very suitable for presentation,
Rs. 36, 40, 54, 60, 70, 80 and 90.

TREACHER & COMPANY, LIMITED,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA AND POONA.

INDIAN TEA EMPORIUM.

☞ PRIZE MEDALS AWARDED AT THE EXHIBITIONS OF

LONDON, PARIS AND CALCUTTA.

MESSRS. MORTON & Co. can, with confidence, submit their choice stock of carefully selected KANGRA VALLEY TEAS to the public of Western India. Since their introduction, these Teas have been acknowledged by the *élite* of Society to be superior to the numerous varieties of China and Assam Teas, many of which are so generally known to be adulterated.

In giving publicity to the subjoined list of the Nobility and Gentry of this Presidency, comprising members of the Civil, Military and Naval Services, and of the Mercantile community, who have constantly patronized their Teas, Messrs. Morton & Co. trust it will afford a sufficient guarantee for their excellent flavor and pure quality; whilst their moderate price is a further recommendation to all who are desirous of making use of the best and cheapest Tea that has ever been offered for public favour, at cash prices, in this City.

TERMS CASH.

Name of Teas.	Retail in canisters of 1, 2, & 4 lbs. From 1 lb. to 15 lbs. Rs.	a.	From 15 lbs and upwards. Rs.	a.	Wholesale in bulk in chests of 80 lbs. and upwards
Orange Pekoe, Extra Fine ...	1	12	1	10	Merchants, Messes, Clubs, Schools, Hotels, &c. liberally dealt with.
Organge Pekoe	1	10	1	8	
Pekoe, Extra Fine	1	10	1	8	
Holta Mixture	1	10	1	8	
Byjnauth Mixture	1	10	1	8	
Pekoe Souchong, Extra Fine ...	1	8	1	6	
Souchong	1	6	1	4	
Royal Family Mixture	1	2	1	0	

These excellent Teas are sold at the depot from 1 lb upwards.

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MORTON & CO., BOMBAY.

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WORKED BY HAND OR FOOT.

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LETTERS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE ABOVE BRANCH DEPOTS.

The Largest, Cheapest, and most Fashionable Assortment of Millinery in Bombay.

MRS. LAKE,

MILLINER, DRESS-MAKER, SILK MERCER, &c.

MRS. LAKE has the pleasure to announce to the Ladies of Bombay, &c., that she has just received a choice and fashionable consignment of Millinery, &c. for the SEASON, consisting of "Bonnets and Hats," trimmed and untrimmed; "Dresses" in all the new materials, Silks, Satins, Velvets, "Ribbons," "Feathers," "Flowers," &c.

Superior Kid Gloves for Gentlemen—White, Black and Colored, also "Black and White Scarves and Dress Neckties."

Superior Kid Gloves for Ladies—1, 2, 3 and 4 Buttons.

LADIES OWN MATERIAL MADE UP WITH CARE AND TASTE.

"WEDDING AND MOURNING ORDERS RECEIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION."

UXBRIDGE HOUSE.
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GRAND CLEARANCE SALE.

MESSRS. WALKER & Co, having decided upon CLOSING their Bombay Business, HAVE DETERMINED TO SELL the whole of their CHOICE STOCK of FANCY GOODS, consisting of Gold and Silver Watches, Real and Imitation Jewellery, Clocks, Timepieces, Scarves, Ties, Hats, Boots, Shirts, Pictures, Platedware, Toys, &c., &c.,

AT ENGLISH COST PRICES.

No reasonable offer will be refused.

WALKER & CO.,
RAMPART ROW, ADJOINING WAVERLEY HOTEL.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MR. J. LITTLETON SYMONS is AUTHORIZED to SIGN our Firm from THIS DATE.

FINLAY, MUIR & Co.

Bombay, 1st February 1876.

NOW READY,

THE INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE FOR FEBRUARY, 1876.

PRICE—EIGHT ANNAS.

With a New Coloured Map.

CONTAINING, besides the other usual information, the latest alterations in the Time Tables of the several lines of Railway.

The GUIDE, having a large circulation amongst Travellers, by Rail and otherwise, is a most effective medium for Advertisements.

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Steam Navigation Companies:—
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North-West Dak Company.
Punjaub and North-Western Dak Company
North-Western Dak Company.
Agra to Jeypore.
Rawul Pindee and Murree.
Scale of Fare for Shigrams, Buggies, &c., in Bombay
Scale of Fares for Palanquins.
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Alexandria.....D. Robertson & Co.
Bangalore.....Spectator" Office.
Bombay.....Railway Refreshment Rooms.
Calcutta.....Wyman & Co.
Ceylon (Colombo) "Ceylon Observer" Office.
Deolalee.....Cursetjee Dossabhoy.
Egutpoora.....Railway Refreshment Rooms
Kurrachee.....Sindian" Press.
London].....G. Street, 30, Cornhill.
Madras.....Higginbotham & Co., "Madras Times," and "Madras Mail" Offices.
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MESSRS. GRIMAULT & Co. beg to inform the public that they have made arrangements in order to secure a regular supply of their CELEBRATED REMEDIES, all prepared according to the formulas of the Official Codex. These medicines are prescribed by duly qualified medical practitioners in all parts of the civilized world.

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The DISEASES OF THE CHEST, reputed incurable to this day, will find an almost certain remedy in GRIMAULT & Co.'s SYRUP OF HYPOPHOSPHITE OF LIME. ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, the different types of COUGH, never resist to its salutary influence.

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FROM the 1st February 1876, REDUCED FARES for the following short distances will be charged:—

Between Colaba and Fresh Fountain	1	Anna
,, Colaba and Market	1	,,
,, Fresh Fountain and Market	1	,,
,, Municipal Offices and Bore Bunder	1	,,
,, Bowse Bunder and Pydhownie (via Market)	1	,,
,, Bowse Bunder and Money School	1	,,
,, Money School and Pydhownie	1	,,
,, Pydhownie and Byculla	1	,,

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

MONDAY EVENING, 31st JAN. 1876.

SATURDAY Evening's closing telegram delivered by Reuter this morning gives no additional information respecting the Liverpool Cotton Market.

New York telegrams of Saturday's date quote ready Mid.-Uplands still at 13¼ cents, March shipment 13¼ cents, a decline of 1/16 cent per lb. Gold and Exchange on London is unchanged. The receipts of Cotton at the ports to date are as follows :—

	1876	1875	1874
Saturday's Receipts	15,000	15,000	26,000
Total since 1st Sept.	2,961,000	2,533,000	2,575,000

The Manchester Piece Goods Market on Saturday was unaltered. From London Coffee is reported steady at previous prices. Cochin Cocoanut Oil has declined 5s. per ton but Ceylon is unaltered. Bombay Linseed is quoted pat 50s. and to arrive 50s. 6d., a decline of 1s. 6d. or quarter. Ferozpore Rapeseed is still at 50s. Calcutta Linseed has given way 1s. and Rapeseed 6d. per quarter on the week.

Enfaced Rupee Paper in London is manifestly feeling the effect of the fall in Exchange. Reuter's quotations are for Fours Rs. 88; Fours-and-a-half, 89; Fives-and-a-half 93; but from private sources we hear that these rates are nominal—no buyers.

Indian Bank shares are quoted the same as a week ago, with the exception of Orientals, which are 10s. lower.

The weekly return of the Bank of France gives Total coin at £67,875,000 as against £67,500,000, Notes in Circulation £99,875,000, against £100,500,000, on the previous week.

The weekly return of the New Bank of Bombay for the week ending on the 29th instant shows the following changes since the 22nd instant :—

Government Treasury Balance at H. O	Dec.	Rs.	9,78,033
Do do Branches	Inc.	,,	6,078
Deposits	Inc.	,,	1,36,027
Government Securities.....	Dec.	,,	90,019
Loans	Dec.	,,	22,988
Bills Discounted.....	Inc.	,,	7,41,426
Cash with Correspondents	Dec.	,,	1,36,984
Cash and Currency Notes	Dec.	,,	11,21,797

These alterations show a further slight increase in the demand for money, the additional amount of Bills Discounted being probably the result of an increase in the drawings against Cotton from up country, while the reduction in the Government account may be taken as due to payments against Council drafts received by last mail. The Bank still occupies a strong position, the Cash Balance being 1882 lakhs so that there is no reason to anticipate any change in the rates of discount at to-morrow's board meeting. Outside money continues extremely easy.

In STERLING EXCHANGE to-day there has been a somewhat steadier feeling and for future delivery the Banks are asking an advance of 1/16d. but for ready bills rates are unchanged. The position is no way altered. Silver is still so far as we can ascertain, at 54½d. per oz.,—the reports of 54½d. being unfounded—but there are no buyers at the price and present rates of Exchange anticipate a further decline. We q uote:—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 8 3d.	per Rupee.	
Do. 6 months' sight	1s. 9 d.	,,	
Credits 3 ,,	1s. 9d.	,,	
Document 3 ,,	1s. 9 ¼d.	,,	

On Calcutta we do not hear of any business having been done and rates are therefore nominally unaltered.

In GOVERNMENT PAPER transactions to a considerable amount took place on Saturday afternoon at Rs. 102 for Fours, and to-day there are still buyers at that rate, but sellers ask Rs. 102½. Fours-and-a half we quote at Rs. 102¾ to 7/8. Fives-and-a half, Rs. 106.

The SHARE MARKET has been quiet with only a small business doing, and with the exception of a decline of Rs. 15 in Jewraz Balloo Spinning and Weaving our list of quotations is unaltered throughout.

COTTON.—There was only a small attendance of buyers at Colaba this morning and but few purchases were made, but through European agents a fair business is reported. In Good Fair Omra at Rs. 168, Fully Good Fair at Rs. 177, and Fully Fair at Rs. 160. Ginned Broach for 15 days delivery has been sold at Rs. 208, and for March there are sellers at Rs. 205 per candy full-pressed. The arrivals into the up country markets are again on a more liberal scale, but here for the past three days the receipts only total 5,349 bales.

FREIGHTS are very dull and £263 could now be done by Steam to Liverpool, but shippers are only engaging to meet their immediate wants and even at lower figures would not operate forward. By Sail the nominal rate is £2 5-0 for ready shipment, but there is nothing doing.

PIECE Goods are quiet without change of any kind. We do not hear of any transactions of importance.

NEW BANK OF BOMBAY, (LIMITED)

STATEMENT of the affairs of the New Bank of Bombay, (Limited), as on the 29th January compared with the statement issued on 22nd January :—

LIABILITIES.	22nd Jan. Rs.	29th Jan. Rs.
Proprietors' Capital :—		
First Issue of 10,000 Shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid ..... Rs. 50,00,000		
Second Issue of do. of do do. ..... ,, 50,00,000	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund, invested in Government Securities.....	17,75,000	17,75,000
Government General Treasury Balance at Head Office	86,85,584	77,07,564
Do. do. do. at Branches.	10,94,050	11,00,126
Other Deposits	1,76,00,591	1,77,46,618
Post Bills	43,753	42,323
Cash Credits, undrawn	5,95,513	6,11,600
	3,93,04,493	3,89,82,823
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	47,92,734	47,02,715
Cash Credits, on Security of Government Paper, Bullion, and Merchandise	18,15,968	17,88,677
Loans on Security of do. do.	14,85,524	14,62,536
Current Accounts, overdrawn	4,407	815
Bills Discounted	1,06,14,873	1,13,59,299
Stamps	4,454	4,501
Dead Stock ..... Rs. 5,10,064		
Amount applied in reduction ,, 1,35,000	3,75,064	3,75,064
Bullion	1,55,732	
Cash Balances with Correspondents ...	5,67,021	4,20,637
Cash and Currency Notes	1,99,95,176	1,88,73,879
	3,98,04,493	3 89,82,623

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

MESSRS R. RUBATTINO AND CO.'S S.S. BATAVIA, 1,391 tons, Captain L. Crono, sailed yesterday for Genova, &c., via the Suez Canal, with a general cargo.

THE S.S. ORUBA, 162 tons, Captain G. J. Baker which arrived in harbour on the 30th instant from Coast and Outch, brought sicargo of three bags specie, and one hundred and forty deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's S. S. UMBALLA, 494 tons, Captain R. L. Turner, arrived in harbour yesterday from Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers— Mr. J. May, and twenty six deck passengers.

THE S. S. XANTHO, 1,453 tons, Captain G. Edward, arrived in harbour yesterday from Newcastle (December 24th), via Port Said, Suez, and Suez Canal, with a cargo of 1737 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. W. Nicol and Co.

THE SHIP TUSCAN EMPIRE, 1,501 tons, Captain John Adamson, which arrived in harbour on the 30th instant from Cardiff (September 14th), brought a cargo of 1,662 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Sir Charles Forbes and Co.

THE BARQUE LOIS, 380 tons, Captain J. Lewis, which arrived in harbour on the 30th instant from Mauritius (December 4th), brought a cargo of 7,964 bags sugar, and two deck passengers. The vessel is consigned to Hajee Harwan Sedick.

THE B. I. S. N Co.'s S. S. PUTTIALLA, tons, Captain W. Crowden, sailed yesterday for Kattywar Coast and Kurrachee, with a general cargo, and the following passengers :—For Kurrachee.—Mr. E. Hebbing, and Mr. Vishnoo Sowram. For diffrent ports.—Three hundred and ninety deck passengers.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. SUMATRA, Commander John C. Almond, arrived in harbour on the 26th January with Australian Mail and the following passengers. From Melbourne.—Mr. Murphy, Mr. Appleby, and Captain Hector. From Glenelg.—One native. From Melbourne to Venice.—Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon, two Misses Dawson, Mr., Mrs. and two Misses Webb, Mr. E. J. Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. Barrow, and Mr. G. O. Lacy. To Southampton.—The Hon. Algernon Tollemache and wife. To Suez.—Mr. Rowats.

THE SHIP FLYING VENUS, 1,659 tons, Captain C. Robertson, which arrived on the 29th from Calcutta, (December 28th), brought the following cargo :—12,931 bags rice, 5,637 bales gunnies, 15 bundles copper plates, 4 kegs preserves, 966 bags sugar, 408 packages [illegible] goods, 57 packages [illegible], 21 [illegible], 12 [illegible], 17 [illegible] ses [illegible] tes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

THE FRONTIER OF UPPER SCINDE.

KURRACHEE, 31st JAN.

Colonel Loch is relieved of all his political duties on the Frontier, Upper Scinde. Colonel Munro and Captain Sondeman have arrived there.

In future the Commissioner in Scinde will cease to interest himself in Khelat politics.

CAPTAIN CHANNER TO HAVE THE VICTORIA CROSS.

ALLAHABAD, 31st JAN.

Captain Channer, who took the stockade at the Bukit Putus Pass Sungie Ujong Malay territory, has been recommended for the Victoria Cross by Colonel Clay.

THE BUFFS REGIMENT.

CALCUTTA, 31st JAN.

Lieutenants Chippendale and Ommaney, of the Buffs, invalided from Perak with dysentery, and Lieutenant Armstrong and several men of the same regiment have died from same disease.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

LONDON, 29TH JAN.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dull. Surats unchanged.

The London Cotton Market has been dull.

Fair Dhollera	4 9/16d.
The Manchester Market has been unchanged.	
Exchange on India	1s. 9d.
Oriental Bank Shares	£46
Chartered „ „	£17-10 „
Do. Mercantile „	£25
Hongkong and Shanghai	£27
Total Coin in the Bank of France	£67,875,000
Total Notes in circulation	£29,375,000
4 per Cent. Rupee Paper	88
4½ per cent. do.	89
5 per cent. do.	93
3 per cent. Consols for Account	94
5 per cent. French Rente 1872	10½

Departures.—Olive and Yeddo.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.

31st JANUARY.

Maximum time occupied by messages received in transit from United Kingdom to Bombay, 45 minutes.

Minimum time occupied 38 minutes.

Average time occupied 40 minutes.

AMONG the passengers by yesterday's homeward mail was Captain Clerk, the Nizam's tutor, whose recent bereavement at Hyderabad is so much regretted. Captain Clerk goes home, we believe, only on private affairs, and will return to his appointment in a month or two.

THE quantity of cotton shipped from the port of Bombay to Foreign External Ports and Foreign Indian Ports, during the month of December 1875, amounted to 30,050 bales, weighing lbs. 1,17,65 348 or candies 15,006·25/28 of the value of Rs. 25,14,280.

IN consequence of the difficulty of finding a competent Professor of Pali for the Rangoon High School, the appointment has been offered to the Right Reverend Bishop Bigandet.

SIR WILLIAM GREGORY, Governor of Ceylon, paid a visit to Trichinopoly on Tuesday forenoon, accompanied by his Private Secretary. On Thursday morning he paid a visit to Srirangam, and left in the forenoon by ordinary train for Madura, *en-route* to Ceylon.

GENERAL Bubber Jung Bahadoor, lately on the Personal Staff of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, is lying dangerously ill at Delhi, the *Civil and Military Gazette* says. General Bubber Jung was attacked with dysentery on the 14th ultimo, and has been unable to move since then. He is now in the Commander-in-Chief's Camp, and is attended by Dr Bradshaw, His Excellency's Surgeon.

THE Command of the Peshawur district, which will be vacant next April on Brigadier General Wilson's completing his tour of five years' service was offered, the *Civil and Military Gazette* states, to Brigadier General Sir Charles Brownlow, who, however, in consequence of failing health, was obliged to refuse it. General Brownlow, whose own term of command will expire in about fifteen months, has, we regret to learn, been suffering much from the effects of a sunstroke. He intends to proceed home on an early date.

A DEPUTATION from the Sanitary Association of Madras waited by appointment on his Grace the Governor at Government House, on Friday last, and presented the public Memorial to Government, praying for increased attention to the present insanitary condition of the city. His Grace entered into conversation with the gentlemen forming the deputation, and invited an expression of their views on the drainage project and the proposed *octroi*. His Grace promised to communicate the Memorial to the Government, by whom it would be taken into consideration.

HIS Highness the Maharaja of Puttialla entertained the Prince of Wales at a grand banquet at Rajpoorah on Monday night (Jan. 24). The Rajpoorah Railway Station was one blaze of light, Chinese lanterns and transparencies. A capital transparency of H. R. H was placed over the entrance to the Station and was really most effective. A group of elephants, gorgeously caparisoned, were drawn up on one side of the Railway and H. H.'s troops lined the approach from the Station to the banqueting tents. After spending a couple of hours with this Chief, H. R. H. proceeded on his way to Agra. A salute of 21 guns from the old Fort and a most magnificent display of fireworks taking place as the train steamed out of Rajpoorah Station. The fireworks served by natives were even better than those at Lahore.

A LETTER from Geneva in the *Débats* announces the publication of "L'Espagne et la Liberte," by Count Montalembert, which the author refrained from publishing in his lifetime from considerations of friendship, "not without his heart bleeding, for he has put all his whole soul into it—the summing-up of the convictions of his whole life." Father Hyacinthe had the custody of the manuscript, and after the Count's death asked the intentions of his family and executors, who replied that they would publish it among his posthumous works. Five years, however, having passed without any sign of the fulfilment of the promise, Father Hyacinthe has sent it to the press. It contains his friend's last ideas, the energetic expression of the Liberal Catholic's convictions as a believer and honest man. In the face of death, detached from earth, and only contemplating eternity, he wished once more to defend the principles of liberty which had animated his whole life.

THE *Englishman*:—Several friends assembled at the Circular Road Cemetery, on Thursday evening, to pay their last tribute of respect to the remains of a most worthy Christian man and old resident of Calcutta. Mr. Edward Dunbar, the well-known and respected Secretary of the Military and Medical Funds, which office he had held for a quarter of a century, expired very suddenly on the previous evening, from, we believe, aneurism of the heart. Though he had been complaining for a short time previously of not being in his wonted good health, the symptoms were not of so alarming a nature as to cause grave anxiety to his more immediate friends; and they were, therefore, quite unprepared for so sudden a termination of his life. It was his intention, we understand, to have retired very shortly on his well-earned pension, but it was otherwise ordained, and like many other Indian officials, he may be said to have died in harness. Many who knew and esteemed him for his kindness of heart, will feel his loss both here and in England; but more especially will it be deplored by those in a more humble rank in life, and they were not few, who have benefited for years, from his free, yet unostentatious, charity.

COMPARING the results of the districts of the Punjab for which complete returns have been received, the total deaths registered in the week ending 25th December were 8,022 against 8,369 in the previous week. There was not a single death registered under the head of cholera. Eighty-eight deaths were registered under the head of small-pox against 127 in the previous week. Peshawar, Gurgaon, Mooltan, and Jhang were the districts in which the disease was most prevalent. The general mortality of the Province evinces a tendency to decrease, except in the district of Montgomery, in which the deaths registered during the week give an annual detah-rate of 52 per mille of population. Many of the large towns are suffering from a high rate of mortality. The towns of Kartarpur, Palwal, and Amritsar continue to be excessively sickly. The deaths registered in them give an annual death-rate of 114, 102, and 71 per mille in each respectively. The small town of Ramalia, in the Montgomery district, continues to be excessively unhealthy; the deaths registered in it during the week under review give an annual death-rate of 210 per mille. There were 490 male and 455 female births registered.

FROM the returns of the Emigration Department we learn that there was last year a falling off in the number of emigrants who left India and went to British and Foreign colonies. Very great improvement took place, however, in the health of the emigrants during the passage compared with former passages. The head of the Emigration Department enjoys the paternal title of the Protector of Emigrants. The greater number of emigrants came from the N. W. Provinces not from the crowded districts of Bengal. Of 20,230 emigrants who left their native shores last year 9,688 were natives of the N. W. Provinces, 6,406 from Behar, 2,781 from Oude and 1,041 only from Bengal Proper and Orissa, a small balance of 314 coming from the Punjab, Central India and the Native States. The number of women who accompanied the emigrants exceeded the prescribed proportion of 40 to every 100 men. The places the emigrants go to are Demerara, Trinidad, Jamaica and Mauritius. Last year as many as 6,025 went to Natal. These emigrants are not all lost to the country for many of them return with considerable earnings after a few years' absence. The emigrants are all subjected to a certain amount of inspection, and some are rejected, whilst others, repenting the rash step which they probably imagine they are about to take "abscond" and really thus merely cast a slur on their otherwise possibly unblemished reputations.

SIR R TEMPLE, being anxious to infuse into the Government educational system a more extended study of the practical sciences, has determined to establish schools for surveying, to be opened on the 1st of March next at Hooghly, Dacca, Patna, and Cuttack, under the general supervision of the Principals of the local colleges. The instruction given in these schools will be in the vernacular and the course will extend over a period of two years. Sir R. Temple has been induced to try this experiment partly as a means of finding remunerative employment for the young men who are annually sent forth by our higher schools and colleges, and partly because the study of surveying is popular with the natives of this country and is one for which they possess, he thinks, considerable aptitude. The study combines a high degree of mental culture with a large measure of practical utility; and the Government is desirous of stimulating and improving those industries, the development of which is calculated to increase the material wealth of the country. The studies will comprise drawing and mensuration, surveying, plans and elevations of buildings, survey of open country with chain only, and with compass and plane table. The number of students to each school will be limited to 35, and candidates for admission will be required to have passed the Minor or the Vernacular scholarship examination. The Public Works Department is to supply four experienced native overseers who are to be the head masters; to receive Rs. 175 a month each; the total expenses of each school per month are estimated at Rs. 292. A sum of Rs. 400 per annum is to be allowed for field expenses in the cold season. The Executive Engineers of the several districts are to be *ex officio* visitors of the schools.

THE China papers from Yunnan publish news to the effect that two Yunnan officials have been recommended by Li Han-Chang for censure by the Imperial Government, and that twelve men have been brought from the district where Mr. Margary was murdered, to the prisons of the provincial capital. They do not speak Chinese, and, it is thought, are ignorant of what they are accused. It is said that Li Han-Chang has already made a preliminary report to the Imperial Government of the state of affairs in Yunnan. He appears first to have been met with the statement that when Mr. Margary passed through Yunnan on his way to Burma, he presented his credentials to the local mandarins, and, consequently secured their protection; but that on this way back he failed to do this, and the only thing that was known, was that a foreign armed body was about to force its way into Yunnan. Consequently, say the officials, the frontier-people began to form themselves into military detachments to resist the invasion. Wu Chi-leang, the Tung-che of Tên-yuen-t'ing, a town in Chinese territory, where the movement was rife, omitted to take any preventive masures and afterwards, when the crime had been committed, and Tenn, the Acting Governor of of Yunnan, issued commands for the arrest of the ringleaders, he entirely failed to exert himself to do so. Chang, the Federal-issimo of forces in that district, a mandarin of the red button, was also guilty of great dereliction of duty in not taking steps for the capture of the criminals, and both he and Wu are recommended to the Imperial censure. The Emperor is said to have ordered their degradation, and they are to await their trial when the English Commissioners arrive.

REGARDING cattle disease at Rawal Pindee the Lahore paper writes as follows:—It is singular that Rawal Pindee which is considered one of the healthiest stations in the Punjab, having a fine salubrious atmosphere, should be for so long a time the seat of a disease among cattle. Last year cattle-plague raged with great virulence throughout the district, sweeping off many thousand heads, both agricultural and domestic, to the immediate distress of the agriculturists and to a certain extent to the impoverishment of the resources of these tracts through which it passed. The attention of the authorities was seriously directed to the disease, and Mr. Boyd, Veterinary Surgeon, R. H. A., a gentleman of scientific and wide experience, was requested to investigate the disease and to report on its causes and symptoms, and all the measures to be adopted to meet and outbreak. He did so and we understand obtained the thanks of the Government for the report of the researches he had made. He treated the diseased cattle with considerable success in the Tehseel of Kowhuta and instructed the zemindars as to all sanitary measures to be adopted, the isolation of the sick and affected, the segregation of the healthy and the simple bazaar medicines to be used in their treatment. After a time the disease disappeared to again appear in March last among the commissariat ordnance cattle. And it will be heard with some alarm that the commissariat slau hter cattle are now affected with a malignant fever which has spread to no less than about a hundred. This merely shows that the seeds of disease are yet latent and only need development to break out afresh, Mr. Boyd is vigorously setting himself to allay the disease and if possible to crush it out by measures of isolation and segregation. He is also in charge of the Government stallions, horses and donkeys, altogether numbering about a hundred. Many of the horses are very valuable and every care is taken to preserve them from the outbreak of any disease. They are all in perfect health, owing, no doubt, to the great care bestowed on them and the riding exercise they perform is, we think, a new thing in their management. Cases of malignant fever attacking pack donkeys in the outskirts of the city and in the vicinity of the stud stables shows what great vigilance is necessary to see that no one has access to the stables without the permission of the jemadar in charge, as it is possible that infection might be spread by cartmen or donkeymen coming to carry horse litter from the stable. To effectually prevent any form of disease from spreading, it might be impressed upon all police constables to be diligent in reporting every case of disease and of seeing that the affected are removed to suitable places shut ont from communication with the rest of the city. We believe that Mr. Boyd will remove the valuable stud horses into the district if any other cases of malignant fever occur among pack donkeys in the vicinity of the stud stables.

NATIVE CANDIDATES FOR THE INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I am informed by the papers that two Parsee and some few Hindoo gentlemen are on the eve of leaving India to proceed to England for the purpose of competing for the Indian Medical Service examination; and I hear, from private sources, that several others are bringing themselves up in the College, as plants are brought up in hot-houses, in anticipation of that pleasure, which they hope will be realized after the completion of their Indian academical career. I know there are some few already in England, expecting to come to India as Surgeons in Her Majesty's Army. There is reason to believe that this service will be more and more patronized by Indian gentlemen as more and more get admission into it, particularly because they can do so with vastly less pecuniary sacrifice than Europeans can, who have to pay large sums in England for lectures, dissections, &c., not to say anything of the expensive living in England. Unless the Indian gentleman is educated *in England* it is very cheap for him indeed to get into the service. He has to pay next to nothing at the Grant College, and if he is tolerably well up, the College pays back in the shape of scholarships, &c., what he has paid to it; he gets a tolerably good medical education; he has simply to pay for his passage to England and his living in England for a short time, and he comes out as good and veritable a Surgeon as the one who pays the enormous sums in Great Britain and Ireland schools.

I, in common with most of my countrymen, am glad to see this new zeal sprung up for a new sphere of action for natives of India; for, hitherto, at least in the Bombay Presidency, there have been but few such aspirants, and fewer still who have proved successful. Our rulers will also be glad to see this advantage taken of their liberality; and they will be proud, and that deservedly, of their keen sense of justice and of the wisdom of their rule, which permits the deserving of the ruled to rule just as well as the rulers by birthright. For it cannot be but the nearest approach to perfection of justice, when in England these youths are allowed to compete on equal terms with the children of the soil, to beat them, to carry away the prizes which many a hungry aspirant there might envy, and lastly to enjoy almost all the pleasure and privileges of their well-earned rewards without provoking any more than that little amount of jealousy and ill-feeling, which is inherent in, and inseparable from, the nature of some people with whom they have to deal in public and private life.

I have no doubt that some of these gentlemen will stand the professional tests in England, and possibly with credit, even though the examination for the service is not so very easy as is commonly imagined. I doubt not that most of the successful ones will be satisfied with the service as to its emoluments, &c. in spite of many unnecessarily and unreasonably discouraging remarks made about it in the papers in India and England. Lastly, I believe some of the fortunate ones will enjoy the "ripest peaches" of the service, and some few of the latter class will prove deserving of the same, in spite of their being Indians.

With these advantages, the *Native* Indian Army Surgeons labour under certain peculiar disadvantages, which are lost sight of by those who are in a position to advise young men to get into the service. The young gentleman after he has got his L.M., or has got half way through his course, without much forethought, and in great haste, runs to England. He has seen a man come out from England successful, perchance one whom he had, some time before, looked down upon as one not particularly bright and therefore incapable of performing such a wonderful feat, and he thinks it would be unwise if he did not do the same thing, and off he goes. He never thinks of how he will have to live and how to behave, *being an Indian*, after he obtains the object of his ambition. This kind of forethought is particularly essential for a native of India, not so much because he is equally morally, and intellectually inferior to his European brother, as because by virtue of his religion and caste system he is placed peculiarly at a disadvantage when he is made an officer. Neither the Parsee nor the Mahomedan, if he were *really* such, can sit at the same table to dine with Europeans, and for the Hindoo, it is pretty certain he can never do so, at any rate, not openly. If he is unmarried, he has not got his wife with him if married, and if he is attached permanently or temporarily to a regiment, he will have to dine at mess in uniform, *with his head uncovered*, unless he gets exempted from doing so by making a false excuse or by getting permission from his superiors. Supposing that he gets such permission, sighhood informs us that in Times in our Clime, about two, he will lose one great means of securing the bonds of amity and good will between himself and his European brother officers, and will be almost in the same position as a non-commissioned native officer, and perhaps meet with almost the same kind of reception when off duty. It is well known that there are as fast and as lasting friendships made at a well organized dinner table as in our younger days at school. It is true that he may get a civil appointment and thus solve this difficulty, but he has to take his chance for that, and before he comes out to India he has to pass four months at Netly, and has to dine there at mess. Of course this difficulty has been in some instances practically removed by the native gentleman becoming a Christian. But, however desirable that means of removing this difficulty may be, let us hope nobody will become a Christian *only* for solving this problem, and not from firm conviction.

At certain stated times he will have to wear the uniform whether he likes it or not, and unlike the Parsee railway guard, and others of that kind who have to wear uniform of some kind or other only while on duty, he will have to wear it off duty—*i.e.* at dinner and ball parties, levees, theatres and all public places where he puts in his appearance. His fellow-countrymen, not knowing the rule, will relish the idea of his thus aping the sahib, and will be sure to persecute him unless he goes about publishing to every one that he wears his uniform because he is obliged to. If he goes about, and has got his wife with him, and means to keep her as his wife, and does not wish to try to get a divorce from her, she must wear some kind of dress that would not look strange when her husband is in uniform, unless they go about as a covered "bullock barouche," or some such conveyance, hiding their faces from the public gaze. The Parsee lady wearing her ugly white cloth on the head in extraordinarily marked contrast with her prettily gay saree, or the Hindoo lady with her "ankles" bare too far up to be decent, and her bare busoes decked with "rings and things and fine array," would scarcely fail to excite laughter riding by the side of their dashing going husbands in uniform. In a party or ball room, these ladies would serve one useful purpose no doubt, the same that their country women do in England—viz. of breaking the dull monotony of even these gay occasions and of giving the host the credit of having got something at least novel which other hostesses had not. Sensible persons to avoid being laughed at, would try to remain as much as possible in the background, but as officers it would be exceedingly difficult for them to do so, unless the ladies were dressed in European clothes. The latter alternative will excite all the seldom passions in the Parsee lady. What to do, then, under the circumstances, remains an open question. But the difficulty does not end here. What dress is the gentleman to wear when he is off duty, so that at the same time that he maintains his dignity and is "rich not gaudy," he respects the prejudices of his countrymen and satisfies his own taste? If he wears the dress and goes about with his wife there, though sensible Europeans may not look upon that with hatred, yet they will feel very much annoyed when they have to introduce the gentleman in their drawing rooms to their ladies, and have to respect him according to his rank as an officer. The European dress, being that of the rulers, always carries with it a certain amount of weight and dignity which is to my mind wanting in our dress, though it *envelopes the whole* of the body, just as the Mahomedan dress used to do in the time of Mahomedan rulers, as is proved by many a Parsee and Hindoo who used to wear it in those days in preference to his own. But to wear the European dress is to displease one's friends and relations. The only resource left then is to wear the uniform on duty, the Hindoo dress at the Hindoo's house, the European dress when on a visit to a European, and so on, a state of things, if it would not wear the gentleman out sooner than his clothes, would hardly fail to excite public ridicule.

Most native gentlemen are married, and some have children before they have got into the service, unlike Europeans, who are the happy recipients of those blessings unappropriated by the opposite sex. The pay that a young officer gets at the commencement of his Indian career as a general-duty walla, is hardly sufficient to keep him, much less to keep his wife and children; that is, if he lives as an officer with a keen sense of his honourable position in society, and not like natives in Government employ, who get per annum three times as much pay, live in such a way as scarcely to command respect. The result would be that the family man must get into debt if he has not already got some money of his own, and that without in the least being extravagant. His constant movements from place to place to suit the emergencies of the service, to take troops from one place to another, and in other ways to serve his Government, necessitates a greater amount of expense than in other services of the same standing.

I hope to be excused for saying that most Indian wives are illiterate, unmannerly, and strange in their habits, and some mere idiotic dolls; and the difference between their tastes, thoughts, feelings, and sentiments and those of their husbands, if brought up in such of them as have been to England and have come out as Surgeons, is extreme. An impartial observer cannot fail noticing these facts; and they exist in spite of all that Miss Carpenter has done and the little that the Alexandra Institution tries to do. Even out of the best of those that study at that institution who can say that when they find a Parsee or native lady who can grace a drawing room in the way that an ordinary English lady does? The young Indian Surgeon will have to introduce his wife, who is a lady of the sort I have described perhaps, to people of the most polished manners and of exalted position, simply to be laughed at. If he tries, as it is to be presumed he will, like a sensible man, to lift her up to the proper standard, he will have to wait till she is fit for the stage, and during her trial, constantly to invent excuses for her absence wherever and whenever he happens to go.

The new-fledged Indian Army Surgeon, though a skilled "Physician," has not in many cases had good general education himself, as every one knows, beyond what is meant by his being a medical student, and he will find himself associated with people far above him in that respect, and though his talk on the virtues of Jalap and on the symptoms of *delirium tremens*, may have a certain amount of interest for a short time, that will not inspire in others the respect that is due to him as an officer, and above all a *medical* officer, who is supposed to know much more of everything than laymen, and still more than those who are holding a questionable position on the outskirts of the medical profession.

The Indian medical is the only service in entering which a native of India gets a commission from the Queen. Those who enter it must not content themselves with simply being honest gentlemen, but, if they are not already so, they must certainly seriously think of making up their minds to be *really* loyal, if they expect to be treated well, and if they really wish that other services may be thrown open to natives of India which have hitherto been kept exclusively for Europeans. This I am obliged to say because doubts are now-a-days raised by some people of the loyalty of some of the natives of India.

I have thus shown as far as my humble powers can permit, what there is to be said for those who wish to get into the service, before they leave India. I hope I shall not be misunderstood. I don't want to discourage them. I mean them well, as I must, because I am

30th January. A NATIVE OF INDIA.

A SHOOTING EXCURSION BEYOND MAHABLESHWUR.

(Continued from the 12th January.)

ON returning to the Travellers' Bungalow at Panchgunny, I found Leatherstocking impatient to start for Mahableshwur. We summoned the messman. He produced his bill. The first line excited our anger. "Gentleman Half a Fool." We sternly demand to which of us this impertinence is addressed. It refers to the "fowl." The Goanese pronounce better than they spell. He appears to have charged for only a moiety of the bird on account of its toughness. We are enchanted to find such conscientiousness under such a grimy exterior. *On diable la vertu va-t-elle se nicher?* We pay the bill, leap into the tonga, wave a valedictory benediction to Panchgunny, and resume our wild career, whilst the messman counts his spoons. A drive of a little more than an hour across a gently undulating jungle of black rocks brings us to a charming suburban villa, the corrugated iron roof of which gleams like Britania metal in the rays of the sun. We alight from the tonga, skip lightly across the stepping stones which stud the chattering stream that separates it from the road, and, proceed, note book in hand, to interview the occupants. The house is empty, but we start a native of the mali caste who flees at our approach. He is captured, after a short but exciting chase, and sinking on his knees, in abject terror, exclaims that he is a *gharib admi*. A present of a small silver coin restores his self-possession and we tap him and draw off all the information he possesses; but not without difficulty, as every time we touch the note book with our pencil he weeps copiously and repeats the assurance of his gharibness, oblivious of the fact that we have just raised him to a state of comparative effluence. He tells us that the bungalow was built for a European gardener, who was imported to plant and cultivate a certain *Jhar* (plant), the *chanra* (bark) of which possesses the property of curing *tap* (fever.) The bungalow and plantation have been deserted for some time, but the plants are still there. The saheb logue, he says, comes down from Mahableshwur, whenever they are afflicted with *tap*, to perform pooja, bringing medicine in bottles which makes a loud report when the corks are drawn. They seize the ladies round the waist and jump about to the music of the belatee baja and the cure seems to be complete. The benighted heathen of the surrounding villages have tried both the *chamra* and the *pooja*, but the *chamra* spoils their curry and the saltatory exercise irritates instead of allaying their *tap*. We infer from this description that the place is an abandoned cinchona plantation, which is occasionally resorted to as a quiet place for picnicing, and subsequent enquiry proves the surmise to be correct. We pass heathen Chinées and their Hindu wives cultivating vegetable and fruit gardens. The potatoe, that "queen of subterranean fruit," grows in perfection, and strawberries in the season are plentiful and cheap. A sudden turn of the road brings us to a lovely lake. Several Purvoes are seated on stones engaged in the exhilirating sport of angling, gravely contemplating the floats which bob about on the water. My note book inspires them with terror, but my polite and insinuating manners restore confidence. A few questions elicit the fact that they have adopted this recreation in order to remove the reproach which is frequently levelled at their caste of not being devoted to athletic exercises. They have not had much sport yet ,but one of their number experienced a palpable bite only a fortnight ago and the excitement ever since has been intense. The fortunate youth who held the rod on that memorable occasion is pointed out, and he glows with honest pride as we take a note of his exploit and promise to use our influence to procure him an appointment in the Post Office. A steep hill brings us into the station. On our left a stone monument on a height peeps out from the foliage. It perpetuates the memory of Colonel Beckwith, of the Rifle Brigade, who was buried here. Adjoining is the church and beyond are the library, assembly rooms, and the palace of the Superintendent. My space will not allow me to give a full description of these edifices, for I think the description of architecture should never be scamped. But I must record my tribute of admiration of what from its name gave the impression of being a lovely little roadside inn, exactly opposite the church. A signboard informs us that it is "Tom and Dick and Harry's kens." A lovely blonde (happy thought! one of the chickens,) stands at the door armed with a Badminton bat and smiles an invitation to us to enter. I draw my note book and am about to interview this damsel but Leatherstocking reminds me that the day is waning fast, so I refrain. We reach Killdeer's bungalow and he receives us with open arms. A peg, ablutions, change of raiment, and a succulent meal soon speedily efface the fatigue of travel, a blazing wood fire diffuses a genial warmth throughout the room, a friend drops in to make the party square, and then whist till midnight, the scientific and exciting game, a knowledge of which, according to Talleyrand, will ensure us against a miserable old age.

I devote the next morning to the pursuit of knowledge. I notice the ground strewed with a withered yellow leaf, the root of which is in the ground. It is arrow-root. A month ago it was a standing crop everywhere except in the centre of the busy road. If a house is untenanted for a few months after the rains it pushes its way into the bed-rooms. I regard this fact, which less observing minds would pass without comment, as a proof that nature especially designed Mahableshwur for invalids, just as Panchgunny is evidently intended for the elysium of schoolboys. All the other necessaries of life are equally abundant. Beef-tea, mutton broth, calves-foot jelly, chicken broth, milk of cow, goat, buffaloe, and ass can all be obtained "from the animal," whilst, as I have before related, there is a plantation of cinchona at the foot of the hill.

For a full description of Mahableshwur I must refer your readers to the guide book, a kind of literature which should be avoided by all who aim at originality of description. Our time only permitted us to visit one of the Points, and we selected that of Lodwick, so called from two gentlemen of that name. The senior died in France at the age of 90 years. He was resident at Sattara, about 35 miles distant, and "discovered" Mahableshwur when on a shooting excursion. The Junior Lodwick now lives and flourishes as a Civil Servant in Madras. An inscription on a stone monument, erected by him, in 1874, to perpetuate the memory of himself and his enterprising ancestor, informs us of these facts. I make a mental resolve that if Leatherstocking dies before me I will erect several monuments to his memory, and that my name shall be the most prominently inscribed on the first.

From Lodwick Point we see the new Fitzgerald Road which was commenced about five years ago and is now finished. It will be the shortest, cheapest, and most agreeable route from Bombay when relays of carriages have been posted. The only drawback at present to this route is the abominable stench at the starting point in Bombay at the Carnac Bunder where the steamer to Dasgaum embarks its passengers. A day's voyage across the harbour up the Nagotna river, past beautiful mountain scenery, brings you to Dasgaum, where there is an excellent Travellers' Bungalow. A forty miles journey over this new Fitzgerald Road, upon which there are two comfortable Travellers' Bungalows brings you to Mahableshwur. The journey makes a delightful pedestrian trip in the cold season from Bombay and is, I believe, frequently taken. Ten days' holiday suffice to make the trip on foot allowing two days to interview Mahableshwur, and the entire cost is about Rs. 56 per head. As we stand on Lodwick Point we see below us the curious old hill-fort of Pertabgurh, about six miles off, one of the principal strongholds of Sivajee. The Fitzgerald Road is a beautiful feature in the view from Lodwick Point. It descends to the base of the hill like a white ribband in graceful serpentine curves, hides for a moment at Ambas Nulla, and then emerges to belt the hill of Pertabgurh which it finally disappears. Killdeer tells me that when this road was first pegged out, *the pegs took root and flowers budded upon them*; a statement which, if true, is a proof of the extraordinary fertility of the soil that deserves to be recorded. I can only say that I stuck my walking-stick in the richest soil I could find, and on my return from the shooting excursion, so far from its having either taken root or budded, it had alto ether disappeared. An enterprising Parsee completes posting relays of saddle horses between Mahableshwur and Dasgaum to carry gentlemen *under thirteen stone in weight*, and the journey can then be performed in one day. (Happy thought for the obese—try Banting.)

THE ALEXANDRA BRIDGE OVER THE CHENAB.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

22ND JANUARY.

THE River Chenab, the akesines or acesines of ptolemy and arrian across which the Punjab Northern State Railway is carried by the bridge, named after the Princess Alexandra, opened this day by the Prince of Wales—is the largest of the five rivers which give their name to the Punjab. It rises in Lahoul, (a British district in the Himalayas, south of Ladak), which has an elevation above the sea level of more than 5,000 feet. The river in the upper part of its course is called the Chandra, after the lake whence it issues: its total length from its source to the junction with the Satlej, near Ush (Osch), is about 765 miles, and during this course it is joined by the Surajbagha (in Lahoul), Muruwurdun, Jusium, and Ravee—passing the towns of Kistwar, Jummoo (20 miles off on a branch), Wuzeerabad, Runnagar, Jhang, and Mooltan.

The precise elevation of the source of the Chenab is not known, but it must be considerable, as the river during the upper part of its course goes over the Ritanka pass which is 13,000 feet above the level of the sea. The upper part of the course of the river is as rugged and grand as might be expected from the configuration of the country, but soon after it reaches the plains of the Punjab, at a point about 90 miles below Kistwar, it assumes the widespread, low-banked and tame aspect it has at the railway crossing whenever the mountains are invisible.

The drainage area of the Chenab cannot be less than 60,000 square miles. It is navicable for timber rafts from Akmur, 140 miles below Kistwar, and about 40 above the Railway Bridge, but lower down it carries native boats of a maximum burden of from 600 to 800 maunds which make frequent voyages to Mooltan and even down to the lower ports of the Indus. In the plains the course of the river is tortuous and shifting to an extent almost proverbial, and to such a degree is this the case that the railway works required to keep the river in a straight course through the bridge have cost more than one eighth of the money spent on the bridge itself. Though the width of the river when it debouches from the plains is not more than 600 feet, 120 miles lower down, at Wazeerabad, the banks are three-and-a-half miles apart, the whole intermediate area being submerged during floods.

Historically the river is famous as having been crossed by Alexander the Great on his march from the city of Taxila (between Hassan Abdool and Rawul Pindee) to the Hyphasis (Beas) and having, again in the lower part of its course, borne the same conqueror's fleet on its way from Nicæa (opposite Jalalpore on the Jhelum) to the mouths of the Indus. P. U. 226. On our own times its banks witnessed the skirmish between the British and Sikhs at Ramnagar (22nd November 1848) during the advance of Lord Gough from Ferozpore to Goojrat.

The permanent bridging of the Chenab—so gigantic was the task—does not appear to have been under consideration till the construction of the Punjab Northern State Railway (then called the Lahore and Peshawur Railway) was projected during the Vice royalty of Lord Lawrence, and the traffic of the Trunk Road was carried by the then and still existing Bridge of Boats. The proposed work formed one of the greatest obstacles to be surmounted in the construction of this line, which, though short, only 273 miles, crosses in its course no less than three of the five great rivers of the Punjab—the Ravee, Chenab and Jhelum.

It may be noticed here, *en parenthese*, when mentioning the above rivers, that the Raveo Bridge, 3,217 feet (33 spans each, 97 feet 6 inches from centre to centre of piers) was finished and put in use in April last. The Jhelum Bridge, 4,675 feet long, or nearly a mile (39 spans similar in dimensions to those of the Ravee above given) may be ready for traffic in August next, or perhaps earlier; it would have been ready sooner, but there was an unavoidable delay of nearly twelve months in setting to work on the girder superstructure. The Indus Bridge is designed, but as the present tunnel under the river may possibly be utilized in lieu of a bridge, no work has yet been commenced.

So early as 1864 the bridging of the Chenab had formed part of the proposals made to the Supreme Government by Mr. Power, Chief Engineer of the East Indian Railway, a gentleman who had been called in to report on the project for the Lahore and Peshawur line. Here, however, the matter appears to have rested so far as the Chenab was concerned, till 1866, when Sir Donald McLeod, Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, on a call from the Supreme Government for his opinion, recommended a route which had meanwhile been surveyed by Mr. H. Lee Smith, an Engineer from the East Indian Railway. This route only kept to the Trunk Road between Lahore and Goojranwalla, thence bending 22 degrees to the west, and crossing the Chenab 14 miles below Wazeerabad and the now actually existing bridge.

The result of this recommendation was that further surveys and information were demanded by the Government of India, and when the survey made by Mr. H. P. LeMesurier, the present Agent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway, was completed, in 1868, the Punjab Government, in conclusion of the discussions, which had been all this time proceeding, recommended adherence to the route of the Trunk Road, and this arrangement was accepted by the Supreme Government in May 1869.

In November 1868 the staff of Engineers chosen in England began to arrive in India, Mr. Lee Smith having been appointed Chief Engineer, and, in October 1869, Government had passed orders on the detailed plans and estimates prepared by these officers—the works were commenced—and substantial progress made by the end of the financial year 1869 70.

It had been decided that the Chenab Bridge should be constructed with brick piers and abutments on single well foundations, similar to those of the Sind, Punjab and Delhi Railway, and with iron girders carrying the railway and ordinary cart traffic above, and foot passengers below. Mr. Henry Lambert was placed in charge of the works as their Executive Engineer, under the direction of Mr. Alexander Grant, then Superintending Engineer of the Rechna district (on which the Chenab Bridge formed one of the principal works) but shortly afterwards, as now, Engineer-in-Chief.

Before proceeding to specify the design in greater detail, and to describe the progress of the works, it is desirable to sketch the site and its surroundings. The point chosen for the location of the bridge has been already mentioned as that of the Trunk Road crossing, 63 miles from Lahore. On the south bank stands the picturesque town of Wazeerabad, formerly a Sikh cantonment and laid out by one of the European officers of the Maharaja Runjeet Singh. On the opposite side, is the village of Kathala with the head-quarters of the Railway staff and four miles beyond Kathala is the walled town of Goojrat, famous as the position of the crowning victory of the second Punjab war on the 21st February 1849, but otherwise unimportant except for its koftgari work (steel inlaid with gold and other metals), and cutlery.

At the site chosen for the bridge the banks of the river are, as already mentioned, 3½ miles wide. About half this space on the southern or Wazeerabad side is composed of low land, partly cultivated in the dry season, but submerged in times of flood. There are about two feet of soil on the surface, but all below is a sand bank formed by the river. A navigable channel some 200 yards wide run through the low land, and emptied itself into the Palku Nala at Wazeerabad city, whence it again joined the main stream some miles lower down. The Palku Nala is a branch of the Chenab also, and its crossing is a portion of the Chenab project. On both sides of the Chenab the banks are composed of light soil over sand as above described, and crumble away before the current, which generally flows diagonally from shore to shore, and constantly varies its points of attack. Several islands of similar composition exist which are the remains of low lands through which the river has cut its way. These help to deflect the current against the crumbling banks and thus increase the damage thereto. The bed of the river is of very fine sand ascertained to be from 60 to 65 feet in depth, with a substratum of stiff clay. The rise of high floods is 11 feet above low water level, when the velocity of the current exceeds 10 miles per hour. At such times the sand is scoured out and driven in all directions according to the set of the diagonal current.

The site having been decided upon it was proposed to cut off the navigable channel above mentioned, some three miles up stream, being at its head, by a groyne formed with three open spans of girders, and to intercept the navigable channel in question by a massive embankment, three miles in length, from the south abutment of the Chenab bridge parallel to the head work and extending across the low land until it met the Palku Nala at the foot of the main bank of the Chenab. One half the space between the main banks, at Wazeerabad on the southern, and Kathala on the northern shore, would thus be closed to the river, leaving the other half to be bridged. It was also proposed to throw out astrong work half a mile long, into the main channel, from the northern or Kathala shore, to stop the action of the river in cutting behind the site of the northern abutment, as well as to divert the current against the islands so as in time to sweep them away, and to train the river in a tolerably direct course through the bridge. These training works with others of a similar nature subsidiary thereto designed by Mr. Lambert, revised by the Superintending and Chief Engineers, and approved by Government, were commenced—and substantial progress made by the end of the financial year 1869 70, and successfully carried out by September 1872.

Originally the bridge was intended to have 97 of 97½ feet spans; each pier to be founded on one 12ft. 6in. diameter well; and each of the two abutments on twelve wells of the same size—total 120 wells, exclusive of those (10 feet in diameter) in the curtain walls and other subsidiary works. The design for the piers and all other work in the bridge proper, except the girders, was elaborated in the office of the Ch

HOLKAR AND THE MUTINY AT INDORE.

(*Kaye's Sepoy War*, Vol. III.)

INDORE, the capital of the territory over which the Indore Maharajah Holkar had sway, lies to the westward of his dominions, at a distance of four hundred miles from Agra, and some thirty miles less from Bombay. It is the chief seat of the representative of the British Government in Central India. The Residency is there; and the Agent to the Governor-General makes it his home during the greater part of the year. Thirteen miles from the capital, within Holkar's country, is the British Cantonment of Mhow. There in the hot weather of 1857 were posted the Twenty-third Regiment of Native Infantry—and the right wing of the First Native Cavalry. These were our weaknesses. Our strength lay in a Horse Battery of European Artillery commanded by Captain Townsend Hungerford. The Commandant of the Station was Colonel Platt of the Twenty-third.

The Officiating Agent at Indore was Colonel Henry Marion Durand. He had earned for himself a high reputation, nearly twenty years before when he and Norman Macleod, two splendid young Engineer officers, blew open the gates of Ghuznee. Having returned to England, after the first Afghan campaign, he was, on the nomination of Lord Ellenborough to the Governor-Generalship of India, appointed his Private Secretary. (a) He went out with the new ruler in the *Cambrian*, and was at the great man's elbow until his recall. He was known then to be a man brave in battle and he was thought to be wise in council. Responsible appointments in the Civil and Political branches of the service were successively bestowed upon him. In 1857, he was acting as Governor-Generals Agent in Central India—one of the highest political offices under the Supreme Government. The substantive appointment was held by Sir Robert Hamilton, a Bengal civilian of high repute, whom ill-health had driven to England. The two men were extremely dissimilar. They had different characters and different opinions. Sir Robert Hamilton had much tenderness towards the down-trodden native princes and chiefs of India. He made great allowances for the evil circumstances surrounding a chief, especially in his younger days; and he conceived that it was his duty, as the representative of the British Government, no less than it was his inclination as a man, to be tolerant, and by toleration to encourage all that was good in a chief rather than to suppress the evil by harshness. But Durand was not tolerant. He was a high-minded, conscientious English gentleman; but he looked at every thing through the pure crystal of Christianity; he wanted imagination; he could not Orientalise himself. Had his lines been cast in other places, he might have been a great soldier. (b) He was not a good political officer, because lacking sympathy, he could not make allowances, and expected a Maharatta chief to be as leal as a Percy or a Campbell. This caused him to leap hastily to conclusion—as will presently be shown.

At this time, Holkar was in twenty-first year. (c) He was a quiet, well-educated, intelligent man, of no great energy of character, and by no means addicted to warlike pursuits. He had been very carefully trained under the guidance of Sir Robert Hamilton, who placed over him a young Maharatta as his immediate preceptor, a clever, well-instructed Brahmin, named Omeid Singh, who had been confidentially employed by Sir George Clerk on the Punjab frontier, and who had afterwards been Government translator at Agra. He was conversant not only with the language of India, the Maharatti included, but also with English, both as spoken and as written. Sir Robert Hamilton's system was that, which has since been pursued in another Native state, with good promise of the best results, (d) that the young Prince should have some of the sons of the chief people of Indore—boys of about his own age, who became his class-fellows and friends. When first the Maharaja came under tuition he was "an intelligent, bright boy, with an easy, self-possessed manner," but his attainments went little beyond his capacity to trace a few Maharatta characters on sand after the custom of village schools. But he was exceedingly ductile and eager to learn and he made good progress with his studies. Ere long he came to read and to understand English, but he never could write it freely. Long after his nonage was at an end—indeed up to the time of Omeia Singh's death—his correspondence was conducted by his old preceptor. But no letter went forth in his name, the contents of which he did not thoroughly understand.

It might have been right or it might have been wrong—I think it was right—but Sir Robert Hamilton, encouraged the young Maharaja, when he came of age, and the chief people around him, freely to deliver their sentiments on all subjects, even though they might not be, in every case, very flattering to the British Government. It was the habit, therefore, at the Indore Durbar, when Hamilton returned to England, not without some mental misgivings as to the results of his absence, to speak out freely—to ventilate grievances, and to expound the supposed means of remedying them. But Durand could not tolerate this. A man of an imperious temper, with a profound belief in the immense inferiority of the whole asiatic races, he esteemed it to be the worst presumption in a Mahratta prince or noble, to openly express an opinion of his own in the presence of the representative of the British Government. And, for this, or for some other reason, which I cannot even conjecture, he seems never to have had any feeling of personal kindness towards the young Maharajah. There was an antipathy which, perhaps was reciprocated. Soon after the number of the British agency, during the first two months of trouble, ever spoke of the disloyalty of Holkar Doubtless, he was sorely troubled in his mind. He knew that at Gwalior the Contingent had revolted. He knew that the British troops at Nusseerabad and Neemuch had declared for mutiny, and had drawn away towards Delhi and Agra, might disorganise his whole Country. He saw, on his right hand and on his left, most terrible proofs of a general rebellion against the dominion of the English. The whole of the North Western Provinces were slipping away from our grasp. At Delhi we were still besieged by an insolent enemy. At Indore, all except those of the old class-mates, who were still attached to his Government or his person, were openly meditating the downfall of the British Raj, or mattering schemes of hostility, whereby they might rise on the ruins of the English Empire. But Holkar himself, though still young in years, was old enough in wisdom to know full well the durability of our power. He knew what were the resources of the State—what the energy of the English character; and there was a strong conviction within him that, we should eventually be triumphant. And although he did not love Durand, there were those of our nation whom he did love, and he would not willingly have blackened his face before them.

So little was Holkar dreaming of war, that his troops were scattered over his country, and everywhere miserably equipped. His arsenal and magazine were almost empty. Early in June the Durbar sought the assistance of the British Agent, who wrote to Lord Elphinstone on the 5th of June for military supplies: "If the guns can be spared," he said "even to half the amount named (e) a thousand shells, Holkar would be gratified, for his Infantry are badly equipped, and would be much the better for reliable arms. So badly off is this Durbar for warlike preparations, that although they have some good six-pounders and nine-pounders, they have no ammunition; and I have taken upon myself to order that they receive forty rounds per gun for each battery, the Ammunition being drawn from the Mhow magazine." No thought had Durand, at that time the Indore Government could ever turn against him. He believed Holkar to be true; and he sought to strengthen his powers of defence against the enemies of the British Government.

Up to this time, Durand had received assuring accounts of the loyalty of the brigades at Nusseerabad and Neemuch. But it was impossible not to recognise the magnitude of the crisis. "Sir Robert Hamilton," he wrote to Lord Elphinstone, "escapes a critical period. Central India is as yet all quiet; but men's minds are excited, and anxiously awaiting news from Delhi, which I had hoped to receive to-day. Neemuch and Nusseerabad are reported all quiet, but the officers are evidently anxious, and not very confident. A well-struck blow at Delhi will prove an invaluable sedative. The present is even a more serious crisis than that which your Lordship announced from the signal post at Madras, when the Cambrian hove in sight, it was a serious welcome. (f) But Lord Canning's present difficulties and responsibilities are still graver than those which besset all the Indian authority at that time. I had the honour of being presented to you. It is matter of congratulation for all watching the course of events, that one of your Lordship's experience in India is at the head of the Bombay Government, and you may command my services in the sphere of action in any way you may deem necessary to the public service."

But even whilst he was writing that all things were quiet at Nusseerabad and Neemuch, the troops there were in the throes of active rebellion. He then trembled for the safety of Mhow, "I wish," he wrote on the 13th of June, "that I could give you a satisfactory account of the state of the troops at Mhow. The Twenty-third Native Infantry is, I think, more disposed to remain quiet than the wing of the First Cavalry. The troopers of the latter are said to be taunting and urging the Infantry to rise. Both, however, are in fear of the European battery, and also of the troops and guns here. They are in fear, too, of the column from Bombay, which they suspect to have a punitive mission for themselves. The officers are endeavouring to assure them that they have nothing to dread, provided they remain orderly and quiet. If the Mhow troops rise, it will probably be as much owing to the apprehensions so insidiously spread amongst them, of stern measures, being in store for suspected corps, as to anything else. We sadly want the capture of Delhi to act as a sedative on Chiefs and People, and the smouldering spirit of Revolt. And so it was from all parts of India, the same despairing cry. Let the English triumph at Delhi, and the head of the great giant Revolt willbecrushed under the heel of the Englishman.

And so the month of June wore to a close. The Nusseerabad and Neemuch Brigades were going off to Delhi. But the troops at Mhow had not risen, and no suspicion of the fidelity of Holkar had been entertained. By Colonel Platt, who commanded the station, the confidence system had been consistently maintained; not without some protests from the Artillery man. Hungerford, who urged upon the commanding officer wise, but not obtrusive precautions. All, however, had gone well. But, with the month of June, the prevailing quietude expired. Suddenly a little before noon on the 1st of July, Colonel Platt received a note from Durand at Indore, saying "Send the Essex Pean battery as sharp as you can. We are attacked by Holkar."

The history of this sudden rising at Indore will, perhaps, never be revealed in all its naked truth. (g) But we know at least this much: on the morning of the 1st of July, Durand was writing a telegram to Lord Elphinstone, when the sound of firing was heard. (h) It was a startling surprise to him, for the guns which were roaring out their menaces, were some guns of Holkar's Artillery, which had been brought down, at his own request, for the defence of the Residency and the treasure. It was soon ascertained that they had opened fire upon the pickets of the Bhopal Cavalry and on the tents of the Bhopal Infantry. Colonel Travers, who commanded the Bhopal Contingent, was soon in the saddle; but with the exception of half a dozen troopers, nearly all Sikhs, his Cavalry would not follow him, when he rode forward to charge the guns. It is a miracle that his life was spared. His horse was shot; the slings of his sword-belt were cut through, but he escaped both the grape shot and the sabres of his assailants. The Infantry of the Bhopal Contingent were equally inactive. They refused to fire on the enemy—that is, upon those who had fired upon them: but levelled their pieces at the European sergeants, and seemed to be eager for the blood of their officers. Two guns of the Bhopal Contingent were loyally worked; but they made little impression on the mutineers; and everything seemed to be against us. (i)

So Durand determined to gather up his people, and to fly from Indore. "Finding;" he wrote, "that the Cavalry, who were loyal, though disordered and out of control, would be off on their own score, I very unwillingly gave the order to retire, and, mounting the ladies on the gun waggons, we made an orderly retreat, bringing off every European they had not killed, during the first surprise, and covered with our withdrawal with the Bheel corps and the Cavalry of the Bhopal Contingent. The ladies went off from the Residency, under a fire of grape from Holker's guns, followed by a few farewell rounds—but no damage was done to any of the riders on the waggons, though some had the pleasure of seeing their property burning before they got clear of the Residency." (j) It was the saddest hour of that brave man's life. "First," he wrote, some time afterwards, "came the humiliation of being forced to withdraw before an enemy that I despised, and who, could I have got anything to fight, would have been easily beaten on back. As it was, with only fourteen Golundauze to do would stand by their guns, we not only held our own for about a couple of hours, but beat back their guns and gained temporary advantage." So that "we retired unmolested in the face of superior masses, whose appetite for blood had been whetted by the murder of unarmed men, women, and children. Of all the bitter, bitter days of my life, I thought this the worst for I never had to retreat, still less to order a retreat myself, and though the game was up, and to have held on was to issue the slaughter of those I had no right to expose to such a fate without an adequate hope or object, still my pride as a soldier was wounded beyond all expression, and I would have been thankful had any one shot me." (k)

Meanwhile, in the British Cantonment of Mhow, the Native troops, whom Colonel Platt had so greatly trusted, were in the first throes of rebellion. Hungerford, in contemplation of the rising of the Native troops had urged the Colonel in the month of June, to allow him to take his battery on to the open plain, where they could be immediately manned and prepared for action. This had been granted; but when he further proposed that an artillery gun should be placed at the Fort Gate, and that shelter should be found behind its walls for our women and children the old confidence cry was repeated. Self assured of the loyalty of the Sepoys, the Commandant had refused to sanction a measure which might seem to imply suspicion of the fidelity of his men. The guns were parked in front of the Barracks, but nothing has been done for our safety, when Hungerford received orders on the first of July to march down on Indore, as Holkar's Regiments were in rebellion. In a little while his guns were clattering down to the capital. (l) As no escort had been ordered, two men for each gun and waggon were armed with muskets and mounted on the limbers. But Hungerford had not proceeded more than half way to Indore, when he met a trooper of the Bhopal Cavalry bringing a pencil-note from Colonel Travers, stating that Durand other Europeans had evacuated the Residency, and were retreating upon Sehore. The trooper added that Durand had not gone to Mhow, because the Cantonment was in Holkar's dominions, and an attack on our Cantonments was meditated in the course of the night. So the battery was countermarched, and returned to the Cantonment of Mhow.

Then Hungerford went straightway to the Commandant and set before him on the road. Having communicated the strange news which badreached him on the route to Indore, he besought Colonel Platt to allow him to take his battery into the Fort as he could depend the place for any time until succours should arrive. But Platt could not be brought to listen to the proposal. Consent was empha[illegible] ally refused. And so the day were on; and Hungerford, in spite of frequent refusals, continued persistently to advocate this course. The day was one of doubt and fear. Even the Commandant, as the shades of evening fell upon Mhow, began to think that he might have been mistaken. He then gave a reluctant assent to the movement, which had been so often pressed upon him; and Hungerford took his battery into the Fort. At this time there were manifest signs of an approaching crisis. The mess-house of the twenty-third was on fire. Other buildings in the Cantonments were blazing and breaking through the darkness of the night. This was over the old signal for the commencement of mutiny; and soon the ominous sound of firing came from the direction of the Lines. At nine Colonel Platt was writing to Durand, "All right, both Cavalry and Infantry very *khoosh* (happy) and willing." At ten o'clock they were in the throes of revolt. The delusion was suddenly dispersed. Platt mounted his horse, rode into the Fort, and ordered Hungerford to turn out his guns. He then accompanied by Adjutant Fagon, rode for the Lines. At the Quarter Guard he drew rein, and began to address the men. His appeal was cut short by a volley from the faithful Twenty-third; and both the Colonel and the Adjutant fell from their horses riddled with balls. About the same time Major Harris, of the First Cavalry was fired upon by a party of his troopers, deliberately told off for the purpose. The first volley killed his horse. Regaining his legs, he attempted to escape through the darkness—but he was shot down, and then gashed to death by the sabres of his own men. These were the only murders of the night. Other officers had marvellous escapes.

Meanwhile Hungerford had been getting his guns ready for action. The process was slower than it would have been, if men and horses had not been wearied by the march and counter-march of the morning. Still, there was but slight delay on the part of Hungerford's gunners. The Artillery Captain had always said that it would take but little time and trouble for them to assist any insurrection of the Native troops, that might confront him at Mhow, and now he went forth, confident of the result. But the difficulty was to find the enemy. As he made for the Lines, half a mile distant from the Fort, he was fired upon through the darkness, but he could not perceive his assailants. The bungalows of the English officers were in a blaze; but the Lines were in total obscurity. He was perplexed, too, by seeing nothing of the Commandant, from whom he had expected to receive orders. He did, therefore, the best thing that could be done. He opened fire upon the Lines. The roar of the guns frightened the Sepoys, Cavalry and Infantry; and they streamed out on the road to Indore, where they fraternised with Holkar's mutinous regiments, clamoured for the blood of our Christian people, and gutted the British Treasury. Next day their Lines (at Mhow) were found full of their clothes, cooking vessels, &c., and many muskets, coats, &c. were found scattered for a great distance all over the country. (m) They had fled from our guns in a state of panic and bewilderment. Grape and canister were not to their liking.

Hungerford was now master of the situation. He was the senior officer at Mhow, and right gladly he took the command. The first thing that he did, after burying the bodies of the murdered officers, was to proclaim Martial Law "throughout the station." His first impression was that Holkar might be leagued with the mutineers. Ominous reports reached him, which he did not, over hastily, accept. But for a little space they enfeebled his former confidence in the Maharaja. So he wrote to Holkar saying, "I understand from many Natives that you have given food to the mutinous troops. I have heard also but I do not know whether to believe, that you have levelled guns and offered them Irregular Cavalry, as assistance. These reports are very probably much exaggerated. I do not believe them. You owe so much to the British, and can be so utterly ruined by showing enmity towards them, that I do not believe that you can be so blind to your own interest as to afford aid and show friendship to the enemies of the British Government." To this Holkar promply replied: "The accounts, which you seem to have received of my assistance to the enemies of the British Government are, as you suppose, not only exaggerated but entirely false. No one regrets more than I do the heart rending catastrophes, which befell at Indore and at Mhow. I have not, even in a dream, ever deviated from the path of friendship and allegiance to the British Government. I know their sense of justice and honour will make them pause before they suspect even for a moment, a friendly Chief, who is so sensible of the obligations that he owes to them, and is ready to do anything for them. But there are catastrophes in the world, which cannot be controlled, and the one that has happened is one of them. (n) Having written, or caused this to written Holkar sent two confidential officers to Mhow to explain all the circumstances of the outbreak of the 1st of July, and Hungerford was satisfied and assured.

But it was hard to say what might not happen. No tidings came from Durand. All recognised political authority had swept itself out of the Indore territory. The brave Artillerymen, who had taken the reins into his own hands, took upon himself the diplomatic, as well as the military control of affairs. He garrisoned and victualled the Fort. He blew up the magazines in the Lines. He planted guns for the embrasures of the Fort. He prepared himself to stand a month's siege. And he waited for orders—but he waited in vain. No orders came. He wrote to Durand at Sehore,—but he received no answers to his letters. So he established himself as representative of the Governor General in Holkar's dominions, and opened a correspondence with the nearest Government—that of Lord Elphinstone at Bombay. It was one of those men who little thought of in quiet times, when opportunities were wanting, rose with the occasion and went boldly to the front. He did what he had "no right to do," and he was afterwards severely rebuked by Durand. But history, rising above all official formalities, must pronounce, that the men who did what they had "no right to do," were those who saved the british Government in India.

(*To be continued.*)

(a) It appears from the recently published correspondence of Lord Ellenborough that Durand was first ...

(b) The conduct of our auxiliaries in this conjuncture may be narrated in Colonel Durand's words," I never expected to witness such wretched treachery and cowardice as drove us from Indore. The Bhopal and Mehidpore Contingent Infantry would not fire a shot, or obey an order, and threatened to shoot their European officers. The Bhopal Contingent Cavalry never recovered their surprise, where panic-stricken, and from the first quite beyond the control of their officers. As for the Bheels, as fast as I put them behind pillars, or bays of windows, under cover for defence of the Residency, the moment my back was turned, or that of their own European officer, they used to collect together in the centre rooms." ..... "We could have repulsed the attack on the 1st easily, if we had had anything that could fight. But the Bhopal Contingent and Mehidpoor Contingent fraternised with Holkar's troops. The Sikh Horse would neither form nor fight, and the only thing they thought of was keeping out of fire and bolting. It was the most painfully disgusting affair I ever underwent."—*Mss Correspondence.*

(j) Colonel Durand to Lord Elphinstone—Sehore, July 4—*Mss Correspondence.*

(k) Colonel Durand to Lord Lovaine September 19th 1857.—*Mss Correspondence.*

(l) See Colonel Durand's statement *post* page 344

(m) Captain Hungerford's Report to Government, July 1857.

(n) In this letter Holkar says that the mutineers demanded the heads of a few Europeans whom he had concealed in the Palace. He had no alternative, added the Maharaja, but to offer them my own person but I would not allow the poor Europeans to be pucked before being killed myself."

(c) He was born in twenty-first year.

(d) Holkar was not a good political officer, because lacking sympathy, he could not make allowances, and expected a Maharatta chief to be as leal as a Percy or a Campbell.

(e) Mr. McMahon and Mr. Butler and some of the East Indian writers and Telegraph people were killed. The following account of the Indore mutiny and massacre is taken from the letter of an eye-witness, published in a contemporary journal. "The slaughter of the inhabitants of the British Civil Station of Indore by the mutinous troops of the Holkar contingent at 8 o'clock A. M. on the 1st instant. Three guns and the troops sent down by the Rajah for the protection of the Residency were the first to turn against us in the most unexpected and unprovoked manner; nor was the work of murder and destruction stayed until about twenty of the Christian Residents had been slaughtered, with the pillage of the Government treasury, as well as the demolition of all public and private buildings had been accomplished. The Post Office was one of the first buildings attacked, and the wife, daughter-in-law, and child of the Postmaster, Mr. Beavais, were shot down in their carriage whilst attempting to escape, before the eyes of the unhappy gentleman and his son, who providentially escaped unhurt amidst a shower of musketry. The following are the names of all those who are known to have escaped in safety from Indore: Colonel and Mrs. Durand; Colonel Traverse; Captain Stockley; Captain Ludlow; Captain Cobbe and wife; Captain Magniac and wife; Captain Waterman; Mrs. Captain Robertson and two children; Mr Thompson; Mrs. Dutton; Lieut. and Mrs. Shakespear and child; Dr. and Mrs. Rice; Dr. and Mrs. Knapp, and Messrs. Crawley, Hammond, Galloway, O'Brien, and Collins of the Electric Telegraph Department."

(f) In this connection Holkar's words to Durand were: "Send the Essex Pean battery as sharp as you can. We are attacked by Holkar."

THE DILEMMA.

(*Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine for January.*)

(Continued from the "Bombay Gazette" of January 22.)

STARTING from Calcutta on his homeward voyage with wounds barely healed, and still suffering from the lassitude induced by fever and weakness, Yorke was at first more disposed to indulge in his habitual mood of dwelling on the disappointments of the past than to find enjoyment in anticipations of the future. And yet there was room for satisfaction as well as regrets in a retrospect of the twelve years since he had last seen the sea. How short the time seemed to look back upon, and yet how much had happened in it! Then he was landing in India a friendless cadet; now he was a lieutenant-colonel, decorated, commanding a crack cavalry regiment—an object of admiration, as he thought with not unnatural complacency, to all the younger officers of the army—and with every prospect of attaining to the command of a division before he got to middle age. Truly, if the Mutiny had brought desolation to many it had made a career for the survivors: pluck and luck had done it in his case; with some more of the latter commodity to help, what might not be possible in the future? "What a tremendous personage I used to consider a lieutenant-colonel and C. B. in my young days! To be sure, lieutenant-colonels used to be very old fellows then, and C.B.'s rarer than they are now; but still, even according to present lights, it is not a bad grade to have reached before one his thirty. And yet," thought he, "the change is not altogether for the better. I was fresh and ingenuous then, a believer in men and women, and one dream of my youth at any rate has not been realised. It is not success which has made me hard and cynical—if I am so, as people say—but disappointment and humiliation. Men call me the lucky colonel, and think me greatly to be envied; they little know that I have failed to get the one thing I ever really tried for—that the woman on whom I had set my heart had no account, and would go trifling with me, was offering her own to any one else to take who wanted it!" Yet, notwithstanding that his hopes in this matter were dissipated for ever, the young man still found a sort of melancholy pleasure in remaining constant to the one idea which had so completely possessed him. For him, he thought with bitter satisfaction, love was gone for ever; let him rather feed on the memory of his first and only passion, than find a debasing consolation in some lower standard of affection.

But although still brooding on his disappointment, and spending many solitary hours in vain conjectures about the fate of Olivia, of whom and her husband nothing had been heard since their flight, youth will still assert itself; with returning health this artificial dejection gave way to a more natural frame of mind; and Yorke sometimes felt angry with himself to find that he was not hugging his passion as he intended to do, but was looking forward like all his fellow-passengers with pleasurable excitement to the prospect of returning to England, his spirits rising daily and his appetite improving as the steamer clove her way into cooler latitudes. But an incident occurred on the voyage which turned back forcibly for a time the current of his thoughts into the old channel.

A party of the homeward-bound passengers had taken advantage of a two-days' delay in the transit through Egypt to make a trip to the Pyramids, who was of the party, not feeling strong enough yet to join the rest in an excursion to the Pyramids, was standing at the window of the hotel in the early morning, after the others had set out, watching the beginning of a Cairo day, when a couple of regiments of Egyptian cavalry came by on their way to exercise on the plain beyond the city. To Yorke the sight was sufficiently interesting; and as they passed by he noted their appearance with critical eye, admitting with scrupulous fairness the superiority of the horses to those of the Indian cavalry, but concluding with much satisfaction that the latter were vastly superior in the *physique* and appearance of the men. He was a old eye-witness of the wretched ride fulness of, to be sure, or my new one either! he said to himself. The colonel of the leading regiment, too, apparently, a foreigner, was a portly-looking middle-aged man, who sat his horse like a sack. I don't fancy that worthy gentleman would have a long tether of office if he came under the orders of Sir Hugh, ejaculated Yorke mentally; one can't expect much from a regiment with such an old muff at the head of it. The officer who rode at the head of the second regiment was, however, a very different sort of man; and Yorke's eye was caught at once by his erect, soldier-like figure, and the splendid horse he rode—still more, as he came near, by his handsome, resolute face. The officer was so dark-complexioned that Yorke was puzzled at first to guess whether he was a European, but suddenly was struck by the resemblance to well-known features. Except for the long black beard, the man looked the very double of Kirke; nay, surely it must be Kirke himself,—and Yorke hurried out of the room, and ran along the corridor and staircase; but by the time he reached the entrance-door of the hotel the rear of the regiment was passing by, and the leading files were hidden from view.

The hotel manager was standing at the entrance smoking an early cigar, and nodded affably to his visitor. "A fine sight that isn't it?" he observed, as the cavalry disappeared in considerable credit on the hotel and himself;" but I suppose you have seen a good deal of the same sort of thing in your part of the world?"

Yorke asked him if some of the officers were not Europeans.

"Oh yes, was the answer, the Pacha employs a lot of Europeans in all kinds of ways, army and everything else. That was a European who rode at the head of the second regiment, which had just gone by—leastways an American, which was the same thing—a Colonel Wood.

An American! repeated Yorke, wondering whether he could be mistaken; how did the manager know that?

Why, because he gave himself out as such, to be sure; the manager knew him well enough; he kept himself *to* himself pretty much, but he often came to the hotel to dine or lunch at times when there were no Indian travellers going through.

Did the manager know how long he had been in the Egyptian service? Yes, to be sure he did; about two years. Was he married? No, certainly not; at any rate he had left his wife in America, added the manager, with a laugh. Cairo wasn't much of a place for European ladies, he reckoned, nor American ones neither. The colonel was living in lodgings by the barracks, and used to get his wife from them [meaning the hotel], and there was no lady living with him, that was quite certain. "But you seem interested about the gentleman," continued the manager, looking at Yorke curiously; "there are some rum customers in the Egyptian army, I can tell you," and Yorke hastened to turn the conversation.

The parade-ground was said to be too far off for a convalescent to walk there under a Cairo sun, and Yorke went up to his room to await the return of the regiments. They must, however, have chosen another route for the march back, for they did not come past the hotel again; but Yorke felt no doubt that it was Kirke he had seen. No American of that stamp would be idling at Cairo with a tremendous war going on at home; the time, too, of his appearance in the country coincided with Kirke's flight from India; besides, although his face was altered, there could be no mistaking the figure and seat on horse-back; he could have recognised him among a thousand. And Yorke's thoughts, flew back to the time when Falkland and he first made out Kirke from the Residency roof—on the eventful day of Falkland's death—riding in front of his men on the plain beyond the trees; and he thought how clearly Kirke's appearance was stamped on his recollection, as he rode up to the Residency on the same evening, flushed yet cool, while the excited members of the garrison pressed round him to grasp his hand,—and his measured manner of speaking as he announced the sad news: that Falkland had fallen—Falkland, whose death at the moment of relief had so dimmed the joy of victory. But although eager to speak with his old comrade, and still more to hear some news of his wife, Yorke abstained from seeking him out; Kirke probably still regarded him as an enemy, and certainly would not wish to be recognised. And Yorke started that evening with his companions for Alexandria with ample food for his thoughts during the rest of the voyage—old sensations of joy and pain aroused again which had been almost laid to rest.

If unalloyed happiness is ever realised by mortals, it is surely experienced by the Anglo-Indian who returns home in reasonably good health, just when England is clothed in the fresh garb of early summer, after an exile long enough to create the strong desire for revisiting his native land, but still young enough to be open to new impressions, and to be able to enjoy the simple pleasures of life. To Yorke, who had left England a boy, and whose experience of English society had been limited to such as could be furnished by a country parsonage, the first glimpse of London life which he got on arrival afforded unadulterated pleasure; the bustle and brilliancy of a fine London afternoon in the height of the season seemed perfectly delightful; and dining with some military fellow-passengers at the club to which he had been elected just before coming home, and joining them afterwards in a box at the opera, followed by a snug supper-party, he felt quite ashamed of himself as he went back to his hotel for feeling in such high spirits. But after giving a day to ordering the different articles, including a complete fit-out from the tailor, necessary for bringing the exile within the pale of civilisation, he hurried down by the express to Wiltonbury, where lived his mother and his only sister, married about six years before to the Reverend William Morgan; feelings as he drew near to his destination a mingled sensation of anxiety and excitement. The associations connected with his mother were all agreeable—although in the recollection of early life at the old parsonage near Wiltonbury his father occupied the chief place—and until of late they had maintained a fairly regular correspondence during his absence, but while his mother's letters were duly filled with all the gossip of Wiltonbury, whither she had moved on his father's death, about a set of people of whom he knew nothing, he had become sensible by degress that the details of his life with which his own letters had been filled at first were not readily understood, and only created a simulated interest, and so gradually his letters had become briefer and more silent about himself, as well as more infrequent, and thus a sort of barrier of indifference had grown up between them, arising out of the want of common sympathies. But the yearning for home love and home life was strong within him. His mother and sister, at any rate, would think him worth loving in return; and when, as the train ran into the station, and he recognised his mother in the graceful, well preserved lady standing on a platform, and stepping out of the carriage, was caught at once in her embrace, he felt for the moment an assuagement of the hunger for sympathy which had so long remained unsatisfied.

"My dearest son!" exclaimed Mrs Yorke through her veil, clasping him in a gentle embrace; and then recovering herself quickly, added, "but you must look after your luggage, my dearest Arthur, for the train will be off again in a moment; I lost a carpet-bag on this very platform only three years ago."

"Dearest Arthur!" said Mrs Yorke with fervour, holding his hand in hers, as, the luggage duly secured, they drove off in a fly; "and so I have really got my precious son home again! Oh, my dear boy! it has seemed sometimes as if I could hardly bear your absence; and then to think of all the dangers you have been exposed to! No words can describe what your mother has gone through in her anxiety about her son."

"It seems to have agreed very well with you, mother, notwithstanding," said her son, smiling; "I declare you look hardly a day older than when I went away."

"Ah, my dear Arthur, I see you are a flatterer, like the rest of your sex," said the lady, tapping him on the cheek; "have you come back to laugh at your poor old mother?" But Mrs. Yorke simpered as if evidently pleased at the compliment; and indeed it might have been difficult to believe that the handsome, still young-looking lady, whose tasteful half-mourning just indicated a suspicion of widowhood, was the mother of the bronzed soldier of thirty sitting by her side. "But here we are at home," she continued, adding in a whisper as he assisted her to alight, "it is two shillings for the fly, and sixpence for the driver."

"Here is my little cot, you see," said Mrs. Yorke, as they stood in the passage; "a humble affair, no doubt, after the palaces you are accustomed to in India; but it sufficies for my simple wants. Here, Susan," she said to the neat little maid who opened the door, "take the colonel's portmanteau up-stairs, and then bring luncheon." But Yorke, who had not yet become accustomed to the sight of young Englishwomen performing men's work, thereon shouldered his trunk himself, and followed the servant up-stairs.

"My dear," said his mother when he returned to the dining-room, "you might have let Susan carry your luggage; or cook would have helped her, for the matter of that. These girls are as strong as horses; they have no nerves, happy creatures! And now let me give my precious son another kiss. I should have known you anywhere by the likeness to the photograph you sent home two years ago. And yet there is something different—ah, I know what it is! You were taken in a beard. Oh, dearest Arthur, what has become of it? It did look so military."

"Yes, indeed, I came home with a beard as long as my arm; but I found all the fellows in town were not wearing any—I mean all the fellows in the army; so I went to Truefitt's this morning and had mine taken off, so as to look respectable."

"Respectable, my dear Arthur! and beards are so fashionable now; every clergyman in the Close wears one—except the dean, and he, you know, is quite elderly, and so could not be expected to begin at his time of life. But here is luncheon—let us sit down; you must be hungry after your journey, and the express comes at such a pace, too."

"But where is Rebecca, mother? I have been looking to see her on arrival. I ought not to be sitting down quietly to eat and drink till I have seen her."

"Rebecca cannot go out just now, you know, or I am sure she would have come to the station with me; but I have made an engagement for you to dine at St Clement's this evening. I daresay William Morgan will be looking in presently, however; he is very busy, of course, but he will make a point of calling on my colonel, I am sure. Only to think of your being a colonel, and it is just twelve years since I lost your poor father! Ah, what a position was that to be left in! left to struggle on in the world all alone, for you had gone to India, and Rebecca was but a child. What wine will you take, my dear Arthur? This is very nice sherry, I am told, although I don't know anything about wine myself; and this some dinner claret which Canon Rogers recommends very highly."

Mr. Morgan called before luncheon was over, and after shaking hands with his brother-in law, took his seat at table; a stoutish man of middle height, with a voluble mouth and double chin, inclined to be bald and grey. He, too, appeared to have lately joined the beard movement, his chin being covered with a short stubble. "Not anything, thank you," he declined, when he said, smiling and with his hand Mrs. Yorke's offer of a cutlet; "you know that I never take anything, at this time. Well, my dear Arthur, for so I hope I may venture to call you, and so we have met in the flesh at last. Well, well, I trust that our communion together may be mutually blessed to us. We in the ministry must not allow ourselves gratification in the laity. It is indeed a great privilege to be connected with so distinguished an officer. I assure you I consider it so indeed."

"Yes, indeed," said Mrs. Yorke; "and a very proud mother I feel, I can assure you."

"I must always feel a very deep interest in India," continued Mr. Morgan—

"And think, William," interrupted the lady, "what my feelings must be as a mother! Oh, Arthur dear, I have so much to ask you about the wonderful scenes you have passed through! We must have such long talks over it together."

"I was very nearly going to India myself," continued Mr. Morgan, "in a missionary capacity; but things were providentially ordered otherwise." Mr. Morgan here alluded to the fact of his having obtained the snug preferment he now held.

"I should think you found quite enough to do in that way at home," observed his brother-in law. "Even from the short glimpse of English life that I have had, there appears ample room for missionary work in England."

"Ah, but to preach the glad Gospel tidings to the benighted heathen, what a blessed privilege that must be!"

"You may travel through the length of India without meeting such an unmitigated heathen as the London cabman."

"Ah, but to think that they should worship dumb idols and stocks and stones."

"Better than that to worship the devil."

"My dear Arthur," said his mother, in a gently protesting voice, "this is not a mess-table, that you should talk in this shocking way."

When Mr. Morgan got up to go, it was settled that Mrs. Yorke and her son should not come down to the vicarage till a little before dinner; "for you know, William," said the lady, "I have so much to talk about with my dear boy, my prodigal son who has come back again; so I must spare him to his fond mother for a little while."

Mr. Yorke's house was in a quiet street leading into the Close, small, but with a quaint exterior suited to the locality, neat and comfortable within. At the back was a garden, bounded by the high wall of the deanery, neatly kept, and with a trim lawn just large enough for croquet. And when, he took his way into the garden, in order that they might "enjoy comfortably a long talk about India," the sight of the croquet-hoops set her off in explanation of the mysteries of that fascinating game, just then coming to fashion; and on learning that Arthur had no practical acquaintance with it, she would fain have made a beginning of teaching him then and there, proposing to send Susan round to the precentor and one of the minor canons, who were devoted to the pastime, to make up a party. But just then some callers arrived, and were succeeded by others; and when all had left it was time to set out for the vicarage, up to which period Mrs. Yorke had successfully restrained her burning curiosity to hear all about India.

Yorke and his mother walked down to St. Clement's in the fine May afternoon, a little boy who had been chartered by Susan to carry the box of presents he had brought with him following in the rear; and Mrs. Yorke exchanged greetings with various acquaintances by the way, to each of whom he was introduced as "may son the Colonel from India you know, so distinguished—a C.B. and Victoria Cross, you know;" while the person addressed, generally middle-aged lady, would reply: "Dear me, you don't say so! how proud you must feel! very gratified and honoured to make your acquaintance, Colonel, I am sure," —or words to that effect, till Yorke became quite ashamed of hearing the formula repeated, and hardly knew whether to be pleased or annoyed. Arrived at the vicarage, a newly-built substantial house on the outskirts of the town, hard by a conventicle-looking building of hideous elevation, plastered white the servant who opened the door said that mistress was in her bedroom, would they please step up there; and accordingly Arthur followed his mother up the stairs to that apartment.

His sister, who was sitting in an easy-chair by a fire, although the afternoon was a warm one, rose as he came in, and her affectionate greeting as she embraced him with tears in her eyes seemed a measure of compensation for any disappointment he might so far have felt. Then sitting down again, but still holding his hand, she looked up, and smiling through her tears, said, in a fervent and yet languid way, "This is indeed a blessed moment!"

"Our dearest Arthur looks well, does he not?" said Mrs Yorke; "who would think that he had been through such perils?"

"Yes, indeed," said Rebecca. "Ah, my dearest brother, you can have no idea what anxiety we suffered on your account during that dreadful time."

"Yes, truly," echoed Mrs Yorke, "it was a dreadful time for all those who had friends in India. And only think, Rebecca, of his taking off his beard, and yesterday, too, of all days! So naughty of him, for I do admire beards for gentlemen."

"He looks very well as he is," said Rebecca, still holding his hand and looking up smiling; "but you have not seen the children yet. Mother, would you bring the kid for them? I made inquiries about that under-nurse," she continued while Mrs Yorke performed the office in question, "and here is Mrs Jones's answer. Satisfactory generally, except that she wants ten pounds; but I say I will not give more than eight, and all found."

"And quite right too," said her mother, with more energy of manner than was usual with her. "There is no good in giving servants high wages; they only spend it in dress and nonsense."

"That is just what William says," continued Rebecca, "that it is our bounden duty to discourage extravagance among those around us. He says I ought not to give beer-money, or beer either, and I am sure they would be better without it."

The conversation was interrupted at this interesting point by the entry of the nurses and children—Rebecca, aged five, Maria four, Georgina not quite three, and Arthur Yorke youngest, in the nurse's arms.